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FORMOSA \$2.00.  
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### ACE COMPLETE COLLECTION COLLECTION No. 1

The two beautiful water lilies shown in color here are easy to grow and flower very shortly after they are first planted. For your own garden pool nothing could give you more pleasure nor be easier to succeed with. Just right for a pool 5 to 8 feet across.

- FORMOSA. Pink.
- AUGUST KOCH. Blue.
- BUTTERFLY BUSH. Yellow.
- PYGMY EGYPTIAN PAPYRUS. Plumes.
- WATER HYACINTH. Blue.
- WATER POPPY. Chrome Yellow.
- WATER IRIS. Cream.
- \$5 value. SPECIAL at.....

**\$3.95**



### AUGUST KOCH





Here is a water lily that will bloom most freely in your pool whether it is just a tiny water garden in a tub or one with plenty of room. One nice thing about it is that it will flower almost from the first day you plant it.....

**\$1.75**



# JOHNSON WATER GARDENS

## CACTUS - WATERLILIES - SUCCULENTS

HYNES   {SINCE 1876}   CALIFORNIA

SCARLET BUGLER  
Very free bloomer. 25c



WALLFLOWER CROWN CACTUS  
Pictured natural size. 75c



JOSEPH'S COAT  
Handsomely variegated. 35c



SUN CEREUS  
Brilliant 6-inch blossoms. 35c





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## CACTUS and SUCCULENTS



A fascinating new hobby and a collector's joy. Hundreds of strange and beautiful plants requiring but small space and hardly any care. Fully illustrated.

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# HOW TO GROW WATER LILIES

BE SURE AND READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

**D**ID you know that Water Lilies succeed almost equally well in every state in the Union? Few garden plants thrive East or West, North or South in every type of soil or climate as do these gorgeous blossoms that everyone may easily grow in their pool.

Water Lilies are so easily grown, even by those who have had no previous experience, that following these simple directions will make your pool a most interesting part of your garden. In fact, Water Lilies are easier to grow than the commoner garden plants. The actual care of the pool may be stated in a single line. (Keep the water level fairly constant and the pool clean.) It is not necessary to drain the pool at all during the growing season, simply adding water to replace evaporation.

**New Pools.** The most important thing is to have the pool about 24 inches deep. This will allow for one foot of water and one foot of soil, giving the best average results. However, the plants will thrive luxuriantly where the water is only 6 inches deep or up to 24 inches.

**Soil.** Any garden loam is all right. They particularly enjoy a heavy loam such as roses thrive in. Do not use leaf mold, swamp muck or sand.

**Fertilizers.** Cow manure is good. Use one shovelful to four of soil. Commercial fertilizers or sheep manure are particularly recommended. Their use will insure a thrifty, luxuriant growth. Use one pint to each bushel and a half of soil. Mix all fertilizer well with the soil.

**Boxes.** We recommend the use of boxes. They should be at least 15 inches square and 12 inches deep. Boxes 18 to 24 inches square give better flowers. Make them of pine wood and they will last 20 years. Remember, the larger the box the more and finer the flowers.

**Winter Care of the Tub Garden.** Empty the water out, then fill the tub full of leaves or straw, covering the tub closely with boards to keep out the rain. Cover all over thoroughly with litter for further protection.

**Winter Care of Goldfish.** Common goldfish are hardy in natural pools or where the pool is covered. Be sure and break the ice frequently to keep the water fresh. It is best in small pools to remove fish to basement, keeping them in tubs.

**Pests.** Plant lice or aphids which sometimes attack the leaves should be immediately hosed off, when the fish will eat them. Mosquitos are always kept completely in check by goldfish or any other fish. (There will be no mosquitos where there are goldfish.)

**How Far Apart?** A pool 4 by 6 feet will accommodate three or four Lilies as well as Water Poppies, Water Hawthorne, Arrowheads, Water Hyacinths or equivalent plants. A pool 10 feet in diameter will accommodate six to ten Lilies and also a number of other aquatic plants.

**Planting.** It is well to fill the pool before planting. After planting, the boxes or pails may be easily set in the water. If the boxes are too large to move it is easy to set the plants beneath the

water. In planting simply scoop a small hole out and plant the roots **horizontally** and **not upright**, with the growing end just flush with the surface. It is not necessary to cover the box with gravel unless there are large goldfish present. Large goldfish are a nuisance as they eat the roots of Lilies and keep the water riled and dirty.

**Tropical Water Lilies.** These should be planted **upright** as they are shipped as growing, potted plants. Just cover the ball with soil. Do not allow the leaves to wither or the plant will be severely checked. Fill pool before planting.

**When to Plant.** Hardy Water Lilies may be planted from February on in the Southern and Pacific Coast States. In the Middle West and East, April is early enough. In the Northern States April 15th gives plenty of time. Planting may be continued throughout the

late spring and summer with great success. In mild climates Hardy Lilies may be planted almost the year around. Tropical Lilies should not be planted until the weather is settled and warm with an average temperature of 70°. May in warm regions and late May or early June farther north

**Winter Care.** Hardy Lilies grow wild in cold northern regions and need no protection other than from direct freezing of the roots. Where the water is deep enough not to freeze below the roots they will come through unharmed. Since dry rot is the worst enemy of stored plants in the winter it is best to leave them in the pool under natural conditions. Cover the pool well with boards then apply a thick covering of leaves or straw and the water will not freeze deeply or crack the cement. This is the ideal way to winter hardy aquatics and goldfish. If the pool must be drained the Lilies should be removed to a cold cellar or placed in a deep trench and well covered, keeping moist at all times. Tropical Lilies are hardy only where oranges may be grown.

**Lotus.** These are shipped as dormant tubers. When received they look like bananas strung end to end. In unpacking them be careful not to break them. Plant them horizontally or flat (never put them in upright) covering them with one or two inches of soil. The box in which they are planted should be sunk so there is 5 or 6 inches of water over the top. When they become established they may be lowered if necessary into water a foot deep. Use a rich heavy soil for best results. They should not be planted too early in the season if the weather is cold.

## MAY I HELP YOU?

I have tried hard to answer every ordinary question concerning our plants but am always glad to help with information on any points not clear. Before writing read this catalog over carefully and most questions will be found to have been answered at some length. Please feel free to write me and I will do my best to advise you.

## SOME EASY WAYS TO BUILD POOLS

**THE IRREGULAR POOL.** First mark on the ground the exact shape of the pool, then excavate to a depth of 30 inches. The walls cannot be straight up and down but should be about 45° for the cement to stick on. The floor should be flat, not bowl-shaped or it will be hard to place boxes without tipping. Smooth the floor and walls and wet down thoroughly. Reinforcing is desirable for permanent pools, but not absolutely necessary. Use heavy wire fencing, laying it on the ground and lapping the edges. As the concrete is poured pull the fencing up toward the middle. Tamp the concrete thoroughly and smooth off with the back of your shovel. After the concrete has set a day it should be waterproofed by painting it with pure cement mixed with water to the consistency of thin cream. Where heavy freezing is expected a wall 6" thick is recommended but the floor may be much less—two or three inches.

**A Water Proof Clay Pool.** A pool in clay soil may be made by excavating to 24 inches and tamping and puddling the floor and walls thoroughly. These make inexpensive and perfectly satisfactory pools. Add a layer of rich soil 8" to 12" deep for the Lilies to grow in.



### MY LITTLE BOOK ON POOLS

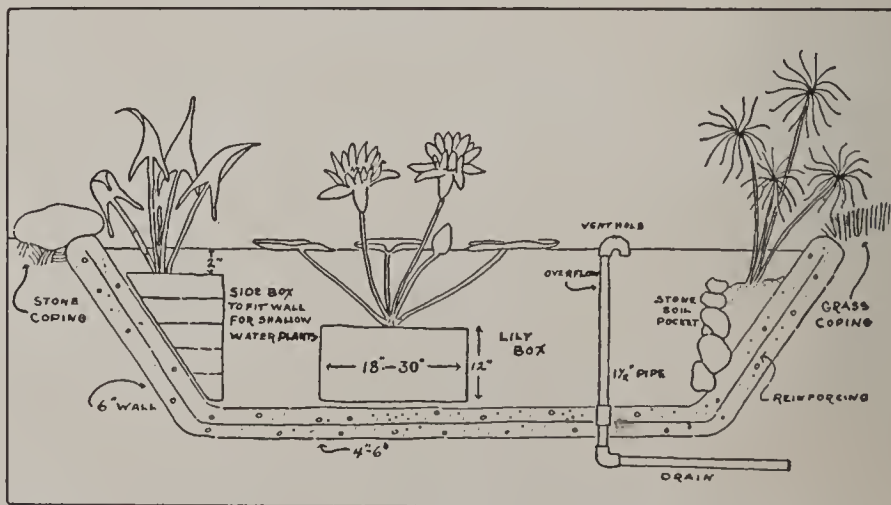
If you have not built your pool this little booklet will be of great help to you. Many pools that have been built by our customers are illustrated, which will give you a general idea of the various types. Detail drawings showing how a pool is built as well as instructions on how to mix the concrete, finish the surface, put in drainage pipes and other useful data are included.

BOOKLET SENT FOR.....

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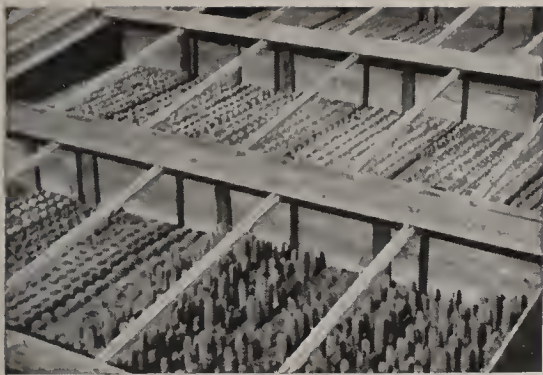
### MIXING CONCRETE

A simple and satisfactory concrete mixture for pools is 1 shovelful of cement, 2 of sand, 3 of pea gravel. Mix it together thoroughly 2 or 3 times while dry, then mix thoroughly while turning over with water to a pasty mixture that will spread easily. Always tamp concrete well so there will be no porous spots to leak.



Section showing construction and planting. This type of pool is easy to build and will give satisfaction.





Thousands of Cactus seedlings are grown into specimens in these sunny frames.



Enjoying myself in a Water Lily greenhouse. It is lots of fun working amongst these interesting plants.



Interior View in Propagating House. Tropical Fish and Water Lilies below.

## Growers of Water Lilies Since 1876

**O**NCE again we are offering our friends the benefit of an extended service. Our famous Full of Bloom 2 Year Old Tropical Lilies have brought such an avalanche of pleasant letters from our patrons during the past season that we have been encouraged to plant thousands more. It means more in satisfaction to our friends than any single innovation we have introduced. The normal Tropical Lily sold is just a few weeks old when shipped and takes many months to reach full size. During the first year only one crown is formed but the second year a clump is produced often with from five to seven crowns each of which blooms as freely as the single first year plant. This is particularly true of the splendid Blue Triumph and lovely Pennsylvania, the two giant flowering varieties we sincerely recommend. Thus you have at the beginning of the season a plant larger than others at the end of summer. A whole year gained with many sturdy, big blossoms almost before greenhouse plants may be set out. And remember when you order Blue Triumph and Pennsylvania you will get almost five times as many flowers as greenhouse plants will give you. Scores of unsolicited testimonials from all over the country testify to their extreme hardiness and vigor for they will continue blooming through cold, stormy spring weather that would surely check less resistant plants. These Full of Bloom plants are offered Postpaid at lower prices than small pot plants. See full details on page 12.

Our Sunshine Grown Hardy Water Lilies have been known for two generations as the finest the market affords. We grow all our own plants so that we can guarantee you growth and safe delivery and really stand behind our guarantee. Our plants are most carefully grown in concrete pools where soil and water are easily regulated, producing firm, vigorous roots crammed with vitality. Very different are the roots raised under ordinary conditions.

Packing facilities for handling aquatics have been developed through long years of experience. Our men have been with us for years and thoroughly understand how to select and pack our products for shipping. Their instructions are to pack no plant they would not want to receive if they were ordering it. That our plants leave here in perfect condition and arrive in your hands as fresh and green as though we delivered them directly into your hands is the most important phase of our business. I am personally in charge of our packing room and no trouble is spared to assure you of prompt service.

**GUARANTEE.** I guarantee to ship you only clean, healthy stock and will replace any plant that fails to grow, free of charge if complaint is made by July 1, 1937, all replacements shipped express collect.

A block of greenhouses where our Water Lilies and Cacti are propagated. They are started here and later moved to pools and frames.



Dear Friends:

With this new catalog we complete our 60th year of raising and selling Water Lilies. At the Philadelphia Centennial Exposition we showed the first Sacred Lotus raised in this country and the first Tropical Lilies. You may be assured that the plants we ship are the best that skill and California sunshine can produce. I wish you could see for yourselves the plants we are shipping, those ready to bloom quickly in your own pool. Remember I personally guarantee safe delivery to you.

Sincerely yours,

*Harry Johnson*



### SUNSHINE LILY

A Sunshine Lily root and the pools in which they grow. Only in California with its long sunshine filled growing season can such vigorous, cold resistant plants be grown.

## Cactus Department

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**D**URING the past year just three times as many of our friends are now growing Cacti as before. This is not a new fad that is sweeping the country but one of the most engrossing hobbies that any lover of nature ever had. I have been growing Cacti since a boy and my interest in them never seems to be satisfied. Many of them have most gorgeous flowers as delicate and beautiful as any orchid and when you bring them into bloom you have a real thrill. Others have strange shapes or are covered with long white hair. One can have a nice collection in a single window and it is a fact that some of the best specimens I have seen were grown under such conditions. There are hundreds of different kinds, every one of which can be easily grown in pots by the newest beginner; no special skill being required. We have hundreds of thousands of seedlings growing now, among them the newest things from South America. Stocks of many of them are extremely scarce and slow to propagate. Most Cacti cost only a few cents but some of the rare crested kinds are worth a ransom.

## My Shipping Terms

All Plants Sent Postpaid

I Guarantee Their Safe Arrival

**WHEN WE SHIP.** Water Plants may be shipped safely at any time. Unless otherwise instructed we will ship all orders at as early a date as experience has shown us is advisable for your particular locality. We will not delay your orders. If you wish us to ship on any particular date we will do so.

**Aquarium Plants,** ordered alone, shipped at once.

**Supplies, Fish Food, Books, etc.,** shipped at once.

**Cactus and Succulents** are carefully packed and shipped separately at once when your order is received as they may be shipped at any time.

**TERMS.** We accept orders only when accompanied by funds sufficient to cover price of goods. We do not ship C.O.D. unless 50% of price is received with the order to insure acceptance. We prepay postage.

**All orders for less than \$1** must be accompanied by 25c additional to cover packing and other costs.

**California customers** please add 3% Sales Tax.

**Canadian Orders** must be accompanied by 25c additional to cover extra inspection costs and by import permit which may be obtained gratis in Ottawa. Remittance only by Post Office Money Order.

**REMITTANCES.** Remit by P. O. Money Order, Express Money Order, or Check. Make all remittances payable to Johnson Water Gardens, Hynes, Calif.

This small Hedge Hog Cactus (*Echinopsis multiplex*) with pink flowers as large as Easter lilies is most easy to grow.







# STAR LILIES

A Gorgeously Beautiful  
Type of Hardy Tropical Lily

**D**URING past years I have found it almost impossible to grow enough of these sprightly water lilies to supply the ever-increasing demand. Every year they gain a new circle of friends for whoever sees them falls in love with them. They have all the good points that one could ask for. They are brilliantly colored, the pinks fresh and clear, the blues electric, vivid. Their fragrance captivating, spicy, sweet with a mellow tang. Bloom! No other lily can compare with them. If I tell you the truth you will not believe me—over 1,000 flowers in a season by actual count on a five-foot box of them! And remember, each blossom was from five to seven inches across. We have great pools of them hundreds of feet long that are carpets of color for months. The blossoms are so numerous as to be almost touching. We are proud to have introduced these most popular of lilies.

## BLUE STAR

A gloriously brilliant blue flower whose sparkling beauty will win your heart. The Lily for every pool that grows easily, blooms unbelievably freely and may be stored away in sand during the winter for next year. Plant Blue and Rose Star together in the same box. The color harmony is perfect. **\$1.25**

## ROSE STAR

The pictures will tell the story of the beauty and free blooming habits of these charming flowers. The starry, brilliant rose blossoms are scented with the fragrance of Lily of the Valley and all through the summer flower in abundant profusion. You may replant the old tuber each spring for years and it will produce young plants ..... **\$1.25**

## 100 FLOWERS!

Many of our friends write in to tell us that single boxes have produced well over 100 large blooms in a season in their small pools.

## PINK STAR

A handsome variety with exquisite soft pink blossoms set with a golden heart. You will enjoy this..... **\$1.25**

## PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

With every order I send you instructions on planting and keeping these Star Lilies over winter. You may have them for many years!

## RED STAR

A rosy, wine color particularly vivid in late summer when it is the most brilliant object in the pool. Very attractive..... **\$1.50**

## QUICK TO BLOOM

August, 1935.

Dear Mr. Johnson:  
My Water Lilies are all beautiful. The Blue Star had 10 flowers and buds in 4 weeks. The Panama Pacific was only planted 2 weeks till it bloomed and the Marliac Yellow had 5 large flowers.

MRS. LAWRENCE SPEIGLE.  
Pennsylvania

## HOW HARDY?

15° Below Zero

"Also it may interest you to know that the Star Trio wintered under 6 inches of ice in our pool with weather 15° below zero."

MRS. RAY YOUNG,  
Kansas City, Mo.

June, 1935.

Dear Sirs:  
Last year I sent for several lilies, among them Blue Star, which has 3 or more blossoms every day.

JUDSON YOUNG.  
Ohio

"The Star Lilies purchased from you a few years back have surpassed my greatest expectations. They have withstood our coldest winters without being moved."

D. H. JOHNSON,  
Memphis, Tenn.

## REFLECTIONS

September, 1935.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

All summer long we have delighted in your Lilies—so abundant and fragrant. The Blue Star Hardy Tropical was especially prolific. We measured many 10" across. Almost a foot! We are already planning to get the Pink Star next year and many others so don't forget us with your catalog.

Sincerely yours,  
PHYLLIS FREDERICH.  
Long Island, N. Y.



# STAR TRIO

COLLECTION No. 2

For the most beautiful color effect of all, plant these three Star Lilies together in the same two or three-foot box. Put them in the center of your pool and you will not regret it. They will thrive planted so and yield many scores of blossoms all summer long. It will be the most novel feature of your garden and the envy of your friends.

1 Blue Star  
2 Rose Star

My New Special Price..... **\$3**



STAR LILIES have Weathered 15° below zero without injury

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COMPLETE PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS SENT WITH EACH ORDER



# Complete Collection for the Small Pool



## A BARGAIN COLLECTION FOR THE SMALL POOL

COLLECTION No. 3

A beautiful small pool at a most attractive saving. All the plants you will need for a well balanced small water garden.

- A. Comanche. Yellow and Red Lily.
- B. Pink Marliac Lily. Pink.
- C. Arrowhead. White.
- D. Umbrella Palm
- E. Water Poppy. Yellow.
- F. Primrose Creeper
- G. Primrose Willow.

- H. Hardy Fountain Grass
- I. Parrot Feather
- J. Water Hyacinth
- K. Fish Plants

\$4 Value  
Special..... **\$2<sup>95</sup>**

## BEAUTIFUL TRIO

COLLECTION NO. 4

Rainbow brilliance at a bargain price. A splendid group of my most colorful lilies at a real saving. You will enjoy them. They are all my Full-of-Bloom quality.

- SUNRISE. See color plate below
- GONNERE. See color plate page 7
- GLORIOSA. See color plate page 6
- WATER HYACINTH
- WATER POPPY
- PYGMY PAPYRUS
- PARROT FEATHER

**\$4<sup>95</sup>**

Catalog price \$6.75. Special



# Dazzling Hardy Water Lilies

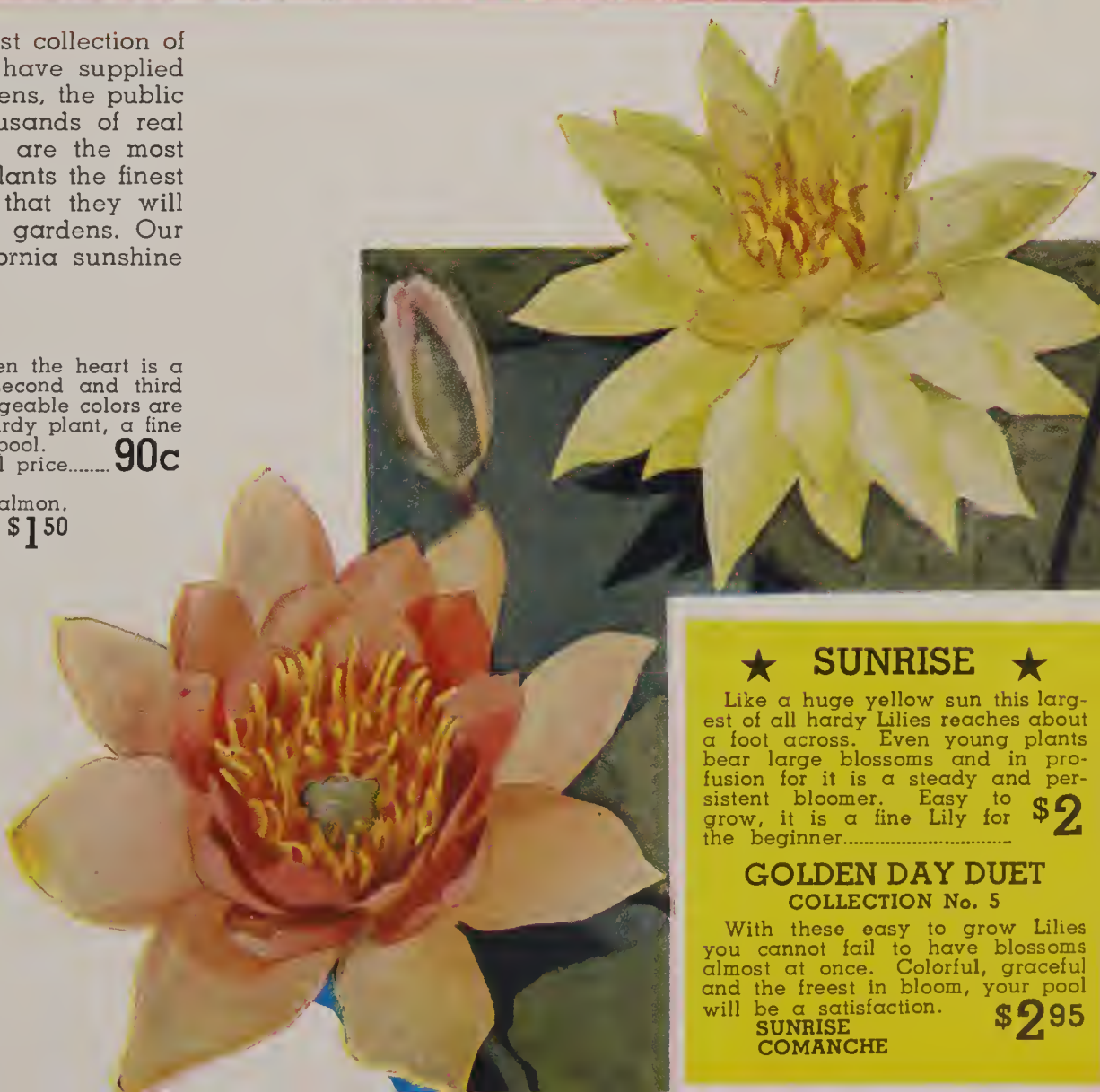
**W**HY not buy your lilies from the greatest collection of them in the world? For 61 years we have supplied the world's connoisseurs, Botanic gardens, the public parks in the greatest cities and tens of thousands of real garden fans throughout the land. Our prices are the most reasonable—compare them with others—our plants the finest to be had at any price and we guarantee that they will reach you as fresh as when they leave our gardens. Our hosts of satisfied customers agree that California sunshine makes wonderful lilies.

## SUNSET SHADES

**PAUL HARIOT.** When the buds of Paul Hariot open the heart is a rich apricot, the outer petals yellow. During the second and third days the color intensifies to a salmon red. These changeable colors are most pleasing and you will surely enjoy them. A sturdy plant, a fine grower and perfectly at home in even the smallest pool. You will find this Lily blooms most profusely. Special price..... **90c**

**Solfaterre.** Creamy yellow blossoms suffused with salmon, a very charming combination. On the second and succeeding days they become deeply colored..... **\$1<sup>50</sup>**

★ **COMANCHE.** (Illustrated in color at the right). I feel no hesitancy in recommending Comanche to anyone seeking the hardiest and most persistent blooming of Lilies. We first introduced it from Europe some twenty-five years ago and during this time it has held its place with ease. The color is a rich glowing amber with heart of fire, as the blossoms age it becomes vermillion. Beginning to bloom early in the spring it is still blooming when fall frosts sear the pool. It seems to thrive equally well in small or large pools and you may count upon its being in bloom almost from the day it is planted. It is very easy to grow and will thrive in anything from a tub garden to a lake..... **\$1<sup>25</sup>**



## ★ SUNRISE ★

Like a huge yellow sun this largest of all hardy Lilies reaches about a foot across. Even young plants bear large blossoms and in profusion for it is a steady and persistent bloomer. Easy to grow, it is a fine Lily for the beginner..... **\$2**

## GOLDEN DAY DUET COLLECTION No. 5

With these easy to grow Lilies you cannot fail to have blossoms almost at once. Colorful, graceful and the freest in bloom, your pool will be a satisfaction. **\$2<sup>95</sup>**

SUNRISE  
COMANCHE





## HARDY WATER LILIES (continued)

**Sioux.** When Mons. Marliac, the French hybridist named Sioux and Comanche, he must have been reading the Leather Stocking Tales of James Fenimore Cooper, for the flowers are of such rich Indian colors. In Sioux the opening buds are yellow, tinged with copper, but by the third day the heart is salmon red, the tips of the petals cream. It is a most tenacious bloomer, flowering under the most adverse conditions. Try it and I am sure you will enjoy its bright sunset hues.....

**\$1.00**

**Orange Butterfly.** Charming, orange pink flowers, shading to a fine orange red on each succeeding day. A splendid variety for the small pool as it is not a large plant. You will like its charming color.....

**\$1.00**

**Aurora.** After many years of growing this bright Lily, I still would feel my pools bare without it. It is charming and well merits its name, for like the aurora it scintillates with color. On the first day the flowers are a soft, rosy apricot, deepening by the third day to almost red.....

**\$1.00**

**Julian Chifflet.** My choice for a distinctive Lily. This glorious French introduction is exquisitely graceful, the long pointed petals give the blossom a novel starry effect. Visitors to our pools exclaim over its ethereal beauty. In color it is a warm pink, the inner circlet of petals of a deeper hue, the outer paler and widely spreading.....

**\$1.50**

## QUEENS OF THE POOL

COLLECTION No. 6

You can grow this gorgeous group of Beginners Lilies as easily as the commoner ones. Their brilliant clear colors, each the best of its class, will make your pool the envy of the neighborhood.

**ESCARBOUCLE.** See page 9

**GONNERE.** See page 7.

**SUNRISE.** See page 5

\$6 catalog value. Special.....

**\$4.50**

## FOR THE LARGER POOL

COLLECTION No. 6A

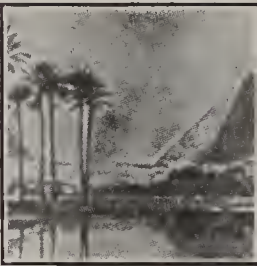
For the larger pool I am offering the above Queens of the Pool group with my 2-year-old Full-of-Bloom blue Pennsylvania figured in color on page 12 and the exquisitely fragrant Pink Pearl described on the same page.

**\$7.50**

\$10 catalog value for.....

## A POOL FROM EGYPT

COLLECTION No. 7



## IT IS EASY TO HAVE A POOL LIKE THIS

Bring the glamour and the interest of the East to your garden. The Sacred Lotus, with its huge pink blossoms like gigantic roses and leaves as big as parasols, breathes the languor of old Egypt.

**Sacred Lotus.** Huge Pink Blossoms. Easy to grow.

**Gloriosa.** Brilliant Red Water Lily.

**Comanche.** Sunset Water Lily.

**Egyptian Papyrus.** Plumy Heads.

**Water Hyacinth.** Orchid like.

**Water Poppy.** Yellow Blossoms.....

**\$3.95**

## THE BEST LILIES AT THE LOWEST PRICE

April 29, 1935.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

I want to thank you for the lovely healthy stock you have been sending me. You certainly do not overstate when you talk about your lilies being chock full of vigor. I received Comanche, Blue Star, Lotus and other plants and snails. They all arrived this morning in excellent shape. Again accept my sincere thanks. I feel that my pool will be a success, thanks to you. I am looking forward to receiving the tropical lilies in their season knowing they will be the best that can be gotten.

Sincerely yours,

MRS. P. L. SHAINWALD,  
New Rochelle, N. Y.

## RED AND CARMINE SHADES

★ **GLORIOSA.** Colored illustration above. Our ponds would lose much of their beauty without the fiery carpets of blossoms of this glorious Water Lily. Each blossom is a glowing cup of red and floating in a placid pool, I can think of no more beautiful effect. It is not exaggerating to say that it is one of the freest blooming of all Lilies, in fact I have counted 150 open flowers on a 15-foot patch of them. It is the first one to bloom after planting, 3 weeks being about the average time required. No pool can be without this.....

**\$1.95**

**Wm. Falconer.** The velvety red-black flowers are considered the darkest red of all. Very rare.....

**\$3.50**

**Escarboucle.** Full description and colored plate on page 12. The most brilliant flowered of all red Water Lilies. Beautiful, vivid red flowers. Very hardy.....

**\$2.00**

★ **CONQUEROR.** This favorite with its huge crimson flowers is one of the freest blooming lilies I know. A very large, full flowered Lily carried on stout stems well above the foliage; it often blooms in less than a month after planting out. The flowers are deep red, the outer row of petals and sepals being lighter. While the plant is a vigorous grower it is quite adaptable and will bloom freely in the smallest pool. The 8-inch wide blossoms are borne continuously all spring and summer, the plant soon sending up several flowers at a time. It is a particularly easy plant for the amateur to start with.....

**\$1.50**

## OUR GEM TRIO

COLLECTION No. 8

Panama Pacific

Gloriosa

Somptuosa.....

**\$3.75**



Left: Panama Pacific  
Center: Somptuosa  
Top: Gloriosa



# CALIFORNIA SUNSHINE LILIES

## TWO GEMS

### COLLECTION No. 9

Freedom in flowers combined with elegance and brilliant color.

**GLORIOSA.** Red \$300  
**GONNERE.** White

**RED MARLIAC.** Brilliant red blossoms borne in the greatest profusion. One of the best and most colorful lilies I know of. Grows so well and flowers so freely it deserves a prominent place in your pool..... **\$200**

**Attraction.** This is a very bright red lily the color being a deep crimson particularly colorful in warm summer weather. The flower has a stiff stem and stands well above the water. A hardy, healthy plant, free in bloom and I have counted 40 open flowers in a 5 ft. box..... **\$200**

**Vesuve.** A beautiful incredibly free blooming, dark red lily. Special..... **\$250**

**Sultan.** Large, light red blossoms. Blooms most freely all summer long. Easy to grow..... **\$250**

**Meteor.** A great Lily. Deep fiery red flowers. **\$2.50.**

★ **RED LAYDEKER.** This heavy blooming, dwarf, deep Red Lily should be in every pool. A stunning flower and a great bloomer. **\$1.50.**

**James Hudson.** Rosy crimson blossoms. A very rare European variety. **\$3.00.**

**Newton.** There is no other Lily just like Newton. The flower opens flat with pointed petals so that it looks a great deal like a tropical Lily. The color is light red with pink sepals. It has a thick heavy root, blooming late into fall. **\$2.00.**

## WHITE

**GONNERE.** A magnificent pure White Lily illustrated in color above. Each blossom is a dazzling, snowy globe for it is much more double than other varieties containing from 60 to 80 petals. There is no flaw in its snowy whiteness and the blossoms last the longest of any. Years ago I brought this plant from Europe. It is one of my most popular varieties, being very hardy and flowering freely. **\$200**  
Special new price.....

**Marliac White.** The pure white flowers of this favorite open the spring procession. Among the green pads the snowy blossoms are most entrancing. It has long been our best seller because of its freedom of bloom and general hardiness. **\$1.00.**

**Wild White Lily.** A White Lily useful about the pool. A vigorous grower with white flowers. **50c.**

**Hermine.** In small pools this dainty White Lily will give you a treat. It blooms quite freely, the blossoms snuggling amongst the pads like silvery stars. It is fully recommended. Fine. **\$1.50.**

**Gladstone.** Large, dazzling white flowers with broad waxy petals. A vigorous grower with huge flowers. The pale green leaves are round and with the flowers, make a brave show. **\$1.25.**

**Virginalis.** This exquisitely chaste White Lily bears a wealth of its large floating blossoms from earliest spring till late in the autumn. They open widely with snowy white sepals circling a fairy nest of rich yellow stamens. In size they are quite above the average and are fragrant with the breath of tea roses. **\$7.50.**

## WATER HAWTHORNE

This is the most charming of small lily-like aquatics. A profusion of fragrant white blossoms. 35c, 3 for \$1.



**GONNERE**

THE QUEEN OF WHITE WATER LILIES

White Water Lilies are among nature's most precious gifts and among all the white ones this stands the highest. When planted with red, yellow and blue lilies it makes their colors much more vivid. Every pool needs this striking double blossom..... **\$200**

## BLUES

### COLLECTION No. 10

Vivid blue Water Lilies! Enjoy these unlike varieties at a saving price.

**BLUE TRIUMPH** \$295  
**BLUE STAR**

**White Laydeker.** A very pretty dwarf lily and a suitable companion for Carmine Butterfly. Blooms very freely in shallow water, the blossoms having a strong tea rose fragrance..... **\$150**

## PINK AND ROSE

**MARLIAC PINK.** A very popular lily especially for beginners. It commences blooming early in the spring and flowers abundantly all through the summer. The blossoms are pale shell pink, large and sweetly scented..... **\$100**

**Somptuosa.** A charming lily with satiny pink petals and a rich glowing color. Does well in small pools. Illustrated in color on preceding page..... **\$150**

**Galatee.** A very hardy plant that surely gives satisfaction under all conditions. It flowers very freely, too. The pink color of the blossoms is made up of crimson flecks on a white ground. It is one of the newer varieties we imported from Europe. **\$1.50.**

**Formosa.** Turn to cover for a colored illustration of this glorious Lily. It is an especial beauty with big rose-pink blossoms. You will be enamored with it. Blooms very freely. **\$2.00.**

**James Brydon.** A gorgeous vivid, rosy carmine blossom full petalled and large. In the sunshine the blossoms seem to glow with color. If you have a box in your pool where it can have room you can not plant a more satisfactory variety. It is one of my first choices for dazzling color. **\$2.50.**

★ **VENUSTA.** One of the most fragrant of Lilies. The blossoms have a smooth depth of color that you must see to appreciate, a brilliant Begonia Rose of surpassing beauty. The plant is extremely hardy. **\$2.**

★ **PINK BUTTERFLY.** Like lazy pink butterflies floating in the air, this charming miniature Lily spangles the water with its jewel-like flowers. The tiny blossoms are 2 inches in diameter, perfect replicas of their larger neighbors in every minute detail. Best of all it blooms profusely. I have counted over 75 open flowers on a single box. If you saw it you could not resist its charm. It will get along fine in any odd corner and repay you with its delicate tea rose fragrance. **\$1.25.**

**CARMINE BUTTERFLY.** A miniature Lily with bright carmine-rose flowers and a fragrance of tea roses. When it becomes established it blooms exceedingly freely; its cheerful flowers being in evidence all summer long. The flowers are 4 in. across and prettily cup-shaped. **\$1.**

**Morning Glory.** An exquisite, soft shell-pink Lily, very beautiful, particularly the delicate buds, as they open in the morning. Five to six inch blossoms are borne in abundance all summer long. **\$1.50.**

**Mrs. Richmond.** Illustrated and more fully described on page 7. **\$5.00.**

## MARLIAC YELLOW

The most freely planted of all lilies. Bright canary yellow flowers in bloom all season long. **\$1.**



**SUNRISE**

The largest of all Hardy Water Lilies. Reaches 11 inches across. **\$2.**







WATER HYACINTH

WATER POPPY

VENUSTA

Venusta is noted particularly for its delightful unmatched fragrance and handsome Camelia-like blossoms. A real beauty.....

**\$2**

★ **SPLENDIDA.** Turn to page 9 for colored picture. Rich geranium pink, the center of the flower fairly pulsates with color. A plant of this Lily in your pool will blaze with brightness all summer. In the fall when the nights become cooler the petals deepen to a rich red-pink, most attractive. The big round flowers are not easily forgotten. It will flower and flower until you wonder where the buds all come from. Does not grow too large even for a small pool. I can fully recommend this Lily to beginners as just the thing to put color in the pool. **\$1.50.**

**Pink Opal.** A pretty, very deep pink and quite fragrant Lily. **75c.**

**Rose Arey.** A big flower, deep cerise pink in color and deliciously fragrant. The flower has a very starry form and may reach 8 inches across with long pointed petals. You will be most enthusiastic when the first blossom opens for you. Very hardy and grows readily. **\$1.50.**

**Wilfon Gonnere.** Very double, pink flowers similar to Gonnere. The blossoms open into a tight ball of tender pink petals like a pompon. **\$3.**

**Eugenia de Land.** A charming sweet scented Lily which becomes very large. The long pointed petals are deep pink. **\$1.25.**

**Esmeralda.** A striking new introduction from Europe, unique in having its flowers variegated pink and white in a most unusual manner.

★ **CANDIDISSIMA ROSEA.** I have always enjoyed its rich rose colored blossoms. In the morning its fresh blooms are open almost with the rising sun. They are sweet with the fragrance of ripe fruits and are quite cup-shaped. The blossoms retail their color well. **\$1.50.**

**Rene Gerard.** This new French hybrid is a heavy bloomer and well able to care for itself, being a lusty grower with bronzy red leaves and will quickly fill its box with young plants. The flowers become 6 inches across. **\$1.50.**

**Goliath.** Goliath is differently shaped from most Water Lilies, being distinctly tulip formed. From the name you would know that it is a large blossom. **\$2.00.**

**Colossea.** An exquisite, blush-pink Lily that you will greatly enjoy. **\$1.00.**

## BLOSSOMS ON XMAS DAY

Dear Mr. Johnson: July 23, 1935.  
Enclosed a picture of my pools. I think you might like to see your lilies purchased by me in April 1934—12 plants. The Panama Pacific is the most exquisite flower I have ever seen. Had blossoms on it last Christmas Day. My two pools are the show place of town. I have had 80 to 90 blooms in the pool at a time.  
MRS. FRED P. LAWRENCE.  
Montgomery, Alabama.



## TEN BEST LILIES

COLLECTION No. 11

- |                |                    |
|----------------|--------------------|
| 1. Sunrise     | 6. Comanche        |
| 2. Gloriosa    | 7. Colossea        |
| 3. Gonnere     | 8. Sioux           |
| 4. Splendida   | 9. Conqueror       |
| 5. Escarboucle | 10. Marliac Yellow |

**\$12**

## A LOVELY POOL

The pleasing garden pool of Mrs. E. T. Young of Warren, Indiana. You too can have just as attractive a pool and with very small outlay.



## WATER COLORS

### 5 Real Beauties

COLLECTION No. 12

A glorious and colorful collection of free blooming, brilliant water lilies. Each one a gem, clear cut and bright.

**VENUSTA.** Pink

**AUGUST KOCH.** Blue  
(Illustrated front cover)

**GONNERE.** White  
(Illustrated page 7)

**WATER POPPY**

**WATER HYACINTH** **\$4.50**  
\$6 catalog value

**Gloire-de-Temple-sur-Lot.** Big, fully double, blush-pink blossoms with twilled petals like a chrysanthemum. One of the most beautiful Lilies. **\$3.**

**Marliac Rose.** Deep pink flowers opening early in the morning. The fragrant, waxy blossoms are quite cup-shaped. Very pretty and quite free blooming. **\$1.50.**

**Odalisque.** An intensely fragrant, deep cerise-pink flower of the Odorata group. It will greet you in the morning before the other flowers are awake. **\$1.50.**

★ **NEPTUNE.** On a patch of Neptune five feet square I counted 34 open flowers! This was not at all unusual and the same box bloomed in like manner for many months. Beautiful pink petals flushed with darker red at the base, giving it a truly attractive appearance. **\$1.50.**

## YELLOW

**Marliac Yellow. (Chromatella.)** I have always thought this one of the most cheerful of Water Lilies. The pert, sunny faces nestling among the green and maroon striped pads brighten even a dull day. Like the breast of a canary in color with a clustering of chrome yellow stamens leaning over the central cup. It will always hold a world of romance for us for it was introduced from Europe by the founder of our firm 60 years ago. It has been more widely planted than almost any other Lily. A vigorous, hardy plant, thriving in the smallest pool. **\$1.00.**

**Yellow Pygmy.** A tiny miniature Lily bearing bright yellow flowers the size of a dollar. A gem for the small water garden and no pool is complete without it. **75c.**

★ **SUNRISE.** The Giant Among Hardy Lilies. Illustrated in color on page 8. Like a huge yellow sun blazing on an August morning this largest of all hardy Lilies, reaching almost a foot across, shines in the pool. The flowers are truly graceful despite their large size, the pointed petals like softest crepe-de-chine. Even young plants bear large blossoms and in profusion for it is a steady and persistent bloomer. It seems to grow and bloom freely even in small pools while, of course, given more room the blossoms are larger. A great Lily for the beginner as it is easy to grow and spectacularly beautiful. **\$2**

**Moorei.** A new yellow Lily from Australia with handsome large blooms. **\$2.50.**

## PLENTY OF BLOOM

September 5, 1935.

Dear Sir:  
This picture of my pool was taken the middle of August. The bulbs were purchased from you and planted the early part of May. The four groups of blossoms from left to right are, Formosa, Escarboucle, Sunrise and Gonnere. All of the bulbs have been very prolific and have exceeded my expectations.

KENNETH C. LEONARD.  
Dedham, Massachusetts.



**GLORIOUS BRILLIANT COLORS**



# Here's a Collection You'll Like ★ ★ ★



Pool of Mr. Loren E. Messenger of Oregon

Please order Collections by Number only

## 6 Moderately Priced Collections for Everybody's Pool. You can't go wrong when you order from this Group.

### SUNSHINE TRIO COLLECTION No. 14

You will have flowers from almost the first day from these glorious Tropical Lilies.

BLUE TRIUMPH  
PANAMA PACIFIC  
ROSE STAR \$425

### BLUE TRIUMPH POOL COLLECTION No. 15

A De Luxe group of my best lilies. A truly royal gathering at a very reasonable price.

BLUE TRIUMPH  
Dinner Plate size!  
ESCARBOUCLE  
Brightest of reds.  
GONNERE  
Dazzling white pompon. \$450

### LOTUS—LILY COLLECTION No. 16

Do you want the main kinds of flowering water plants? Here they are at a bargain price.

SACRED LOTUS  
PENNSYLVANIA  
MARLIAC YELLOW \$350

### ROYAL TRIO COLLECTION No. 17

These 3 gloriously brilliant Tropical Water Lilies will give you scores of blossoms this summer. They are among the best lilies I have.

PENNSYLVANIA  
ROSE STAR  
AUGUST KOCH \$400

### MIXED STARS COLLECTION No. 18

A sprightly collection with the spice of variety to captivate you.

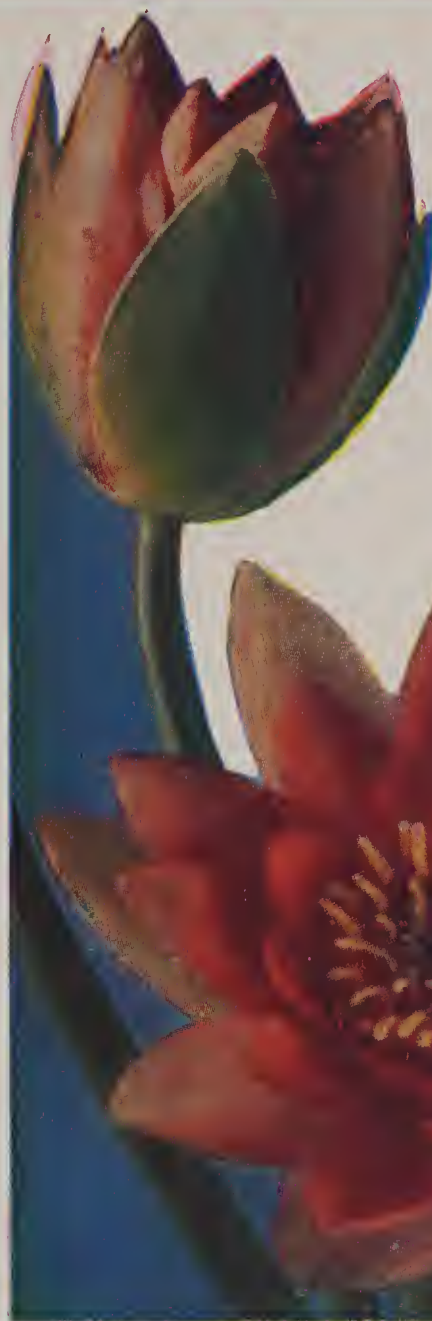
ROSE STAR  
BLUE STAR  
COMANCHE \$295

### BARGAIN DUET COLLECTION No. 19

In a small pool this pair of Marliac Lilies will give you much pleasure. Plant it with the Dollar Special No. 38 for a nice pool.

YELLOW MARLIAC LILY \$150  
PINK MARLIAC LILY

Turn to page 12 for my world-famous Full-of-Bloom Tropical Water Lilies.



### QUEENS OF THE POOL COLLECTION No. 6

A gorgeous collection of De Luxe Beginners Lilies. The easiest to grow! Each the best of its class!

ESCARBOUCLE  
SUNRISE  
GONNERE

\$6 value for \$450

### ESCARBOUCLE

The most brilliant red hardy Water Lily

\$2

### MY BEST COLLECTION COLLECTION No. 21

I consider these five lilies the peers of any grown. They are each the finest of their color. For a really beautiful pool nothing can surpass them. The two Tropical Lilies are my Full-of-Bloom quality while each of the Hardy Lilies are big ready-to-bloom roots.

Blue Triumph. Dinner plate size  
Escarboucle. Brightest of reds  
General Pershing. Giant Pink  
Sunrise. Huge yellow  
Gonner. Pompon white  
\$10 value for

\$750

## A SMALL WATER GARDEN IN A TUB

### COLLECTION No. 22

If you have not yet built your pool you will want this splendid little tub garden. Follow the directions that I will send you with the plants and you will have success. In the collection are 10 shallow water and border plants and a gorgeous apricot pink Lily. No mere makeshift this but a real Pool.

#### How to Plant It

Secure a No. 3 wash tub or a half barrel about 18 inches deep. Fill half full of heavy soil. Plant the Lily and aquatics, place some rocks about the tub and plant the border plants. Full instructions with order. \$200



OUR WATER LILIES IN CHINA  
Pictures taken less than 3 weeks after planting





**PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA**  
A Glorious Vivid Red Blossom. A  
Feast of Color.



**EMILY GRANT HUTCHINGS**  
Such a Free Blooming, Easily Grown Lily  
Deserves a Place In Your Pool.



**LA REINA DE LOS ANGELES**  
An Enchanted White Blossom Like a Full Round  
Tropio Moon.

**T**HESE fascinating lilies are the most glorious bits of color in the garden. They open in the evening while the other lilies sleep. The name does not do them full justice for they are at their best in the morning hours, remaining open until almost noon. They are a feast of color; the texture of the petals giving a velvety depth that fairly makes them glow. The flowers have most gorgeous colors, hot glowing reds, snowy whites, soft pinks, a veritable riot of brilliance. The blossoms are large, reaching 10 inches across and are most freely borne, as the photographs show.

**Rubra Rosea.** Brilliant, rosy-carmine flowers which in the sunlight fairly seem to burn with color. A free and continuous bloomer. \$1.50.

**Devoniensis.** A rosy red flowered variety with large, bronzy leaves. A most popular and desirable variety. The flowers are quite large, reaching 10 inches across. \$1.50.

**Juno.** An immense pure white flower, opening widely; the bright yellow stamens forming a cone in the center. Seen in the dusk of evening the flowers are a never-to-be-forgotten sight. \$1.50.

★ **EMILY GRANT HUTCHINGS.** A glorious variety with tempting, amaranth-pink flowers and most beautifully curved petals. It is an excellent plant and flowers faithfully all summer long. Do not fail to plant it for you will enjoy its great beauty. \$1.50.

★ **PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA.** A Johnson introduction for 1936. A magnificent new night blooming Lily with the most gorgeously glowing red petals of all. The flowers are large and extremely freely produced with the brilliant translucent color of Burmese pigeon-blood rubies. When this first bloomed for us you may imagine with what feeling we beheld its glorious color. \$2.00.

**Mrs. George C. Hitchcock.** A very large flower of a most exquisite, deep pink. The spreading petals surround a central cone of mahogany red stamens in a most pleasing and graceful way. It is such a free bloomer and is so easily grown that everyone should plant it. I can freely recommend it. \$1.50.

**Sturtevant.** This old introduction of ours is conceded to be one of the finest grown with foot wide, deep rosy pink flowers. Give it generous treatment and a warm summer and no other Lily can touch it. \$2.

## Gorgeous Night Blooming Water Lilies EXOTIC—FASCINATING



**MRS. GEORGE C. HITCHCOCK**  
A pink wonder at \$1.50

★ **LA REINA DE LOS ANGELES.** (Queen of the Angels.) A Johnson Introduction for 1936. Nothing can be more beautiful than this glistening, snowy white blossom. Its chaste purity has given us a new value for comparison. Think of a flower with broad, rounded delicately curved petals reaching 10 inches across and gleaming white in the dusk of evening! Truly an enchanted blossom and one that can be compared to the full, round moon on a clear night. It is an easily grown plant and will surprise you with its wealth of flower. \$2.00.

### MOONLIGHT TRIO COLLECTION No. 23

In this Night Blooming trio I offer a pink, red and white, my selection. They will entrance you with their beauty..... **\$3**

**Mars.** (Johnson 1933). Our new introduction, with rosy vermillion flowers. The color is so bright as to be almost blinding. A very free bloomer and vigorous plant. \$1.50.

**Lotus dentata.** An old favorite with snowy-white, spreading petals and in the center a cone of yellow stamens. \$1.50.

**George Huster.** A glorious glowing red. The color is so brilliant as to hurt the eyes. The large 10-inch blossoms are borne in great abundance; several at a time and remain open until noon. \$1.50.

**H. C. Haarstick.** A magnificent new variety of a red so vivid and intense as to be almost black. The plant is very free in blooming, a real wonder in this respect. Handsome, deep red, beautifully scalloped leaves. A really gorgeous flower. \$2.00.

**Dean.** Pleasing cup-shaped pink flowers with wide petals and deep orange stamens. \$1.50.

### We Strive to Do Right

This is the third consecutive year I am placing my full order for water plants with you, and I am only sorry that I cannot afford more as we have two fine large pools. I sent you pictures of them last year. We find your Lilies unusually fine, and appreciate your replacing one that failed to grow last year.

MRS. CHAS. PROKOP,  
Lidgewood, North Dakota.

### Our Word is Kept

I received the replacement of the Blue Star in excellent condition. It has only been in the pool a week, and already has a dozen leaves. I wish to thank you for this splendid plant and would recommend Johnson's Water Lilies to anyone.

LOUIS HAMERLY,  
Menomonie, Wis.

# Seeds of Tropical Water Lilies



For those who care to experiment with raising Water Lilies from seed we offer a selection of the best Tropical kinds, as very few Hardy Lilies bear seed. They will flower the first year.

The seed may be sown outdoors in June or, if sown early, in a pail in a warm, sunny window, planting out in June. Seed should be germinated at a temperature of 70 to 80 degrees.

In choosing a soil use a heavy loam. Do not add either cow manure or leaf mold, as the decaying matter will bubble and ferment, causing the young plants to damp off. They may be planted in a box, pan or pot, firming the earth down well, scattering the seeds thinly and covering lightly not more than the thickness of the seeds. Fine sand is a good covering. Stand the pot in water till thoroughly soaked, then submerge gently to a depth of 6 inches.

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### WATER LILY SEED COLLECTION NO. 24

A Set of 12 Packets of our  
Best Varieties.....

**\$2.00**

### TROPICAL WATER LILY SEED

Johnson's Hybrids. Pink and Blue.  
Capensis. Blue.  
Royal Zanzibar. Regal Purple.  
Independence. Pink.  
Panama Pacific. Purple.  
Pride of California. Red Night Bloomer.  
Lotus Dentata. White Night Bloomer.  
E. G. Hutchings. Pink Night Bloomer.  
Geo. Huster. Red Night Bloomer.  
Col. Lindberg. Blue.  
Mars. Red Night Bloomer.

H. C. Haarstick.  
Red Night Bloomer.  
W. R. James. Pink.  
Caerulea. Blue.  
Blue Zanzibar. Blue.  
Omarana. Pink Night Bloomer.

25c per packet  
5 packets for \$1.00

SACRED LOTUS SEED. Mixed varieties.....50c packet  
WHITE SACRED LOTUS.....50c packet  
YELLOW SACRED LOTUS.....35c packet  
DOUBLE RED CHINESE LOTUS. 5 Seeds.....50c packet



# LEAF PROPAGATING TROPICAL LILIES

## FREE BLOOMING 2-Year-Old Plants Only

**L** EAF PROPAGATING WATER LILIES have the interesting habit of bearing small plantlets on the older leaves forming a ring about the mother plant. While still attached to the old plant they will flower freely. In Central Africa where they grow wild, they thrive rampantly along the margins of the vast lakes and slow-moving rivers. There, as the old leaves decay, the young plants float away stranding in the shallows to form new colonies. The plants will flower all the year around in warm climates or in the conservatory. Their bright colors and delicious fragrance will endear them to you. I like them particularly because they grow so easily for beginners and may be set out a little earlier than some other varieties, thus giving a longer blooming season. Even if cold, chilly rains come late in spring after they are planted they will continue blossoming.

**PANAMA PACIFIC.** The colored photograph tells better than words the beauty of this splendid Water Lily. Bright violet when it opens, it deepens to a rich, royal purple in the fully expanded flower. Our customers enjoy this brilliant Lily and hundreds of them plant it every year. They find it so easy to grow—no extra care required—just plant it and enjoy the flowers. Almost from the first day you will have its cheerful, richly colored blooms which open early and remain open until almost dusk. We freely recommend it. I have several hundred 2-year-old Full of Bloom plants ready to give you a glorious display of blossoms..... **\$2**

## WE GUARANTEE OUR PLANTS TO GROW

Dear Sirs: June 14, 1935.  
I received my Panama Collection and the Lily is beautiful and arrived in fine condition. I appreciate very much the way your plants are packed for shipping.  
MRS. THEODORE MEINERT. Walcott, Iowa.

**Amethyst.** A deep pure amethyst blue flower set in a cup of rosy sepals. Handsome large blossoms most freely borne and most interesting of all it quickly bears quantities of small plantlets on even small leaves. These little plants bloom while yet attached to the parent. They may be separated and during the summer will form nice little plants. This particularly beautiful variety was raised here in our nursery..... **\$225**

## GREAT SUCCESS

June 6, 1935.  
Dear Mr. Johnson:  
I had wonderful luck with my Panama Pacific. It bloomed until frost, then I put it in a greenhouse in a tub, where it kept until this week. Now it is in my pool, has 6 buds on it. Please send me a nice Blue ready to bloom as I am late in sending for it.  
H. A. DURYEE.  
Kingston, N. J.

## A FINE BLOOMER

March 16, 1935.  
Dear Sir:  
The Panama Pacific Lily ordered from you last year is certainly a fine bloomer and just exactly like the picture shown in catalog, and bloomed from April to November.  
M. A. ELLISON.  
Birmingham, Ala.

## FLOWER QUICKLY

July 13, 1935.  
Your Blue Triumph flowered ten days after arrival and has been flowering ever since. The Panama Pacific has been flowering steadily.  
W. I. TAYLOR  
Funeral Directors  
Chittenango, New York.



## PANAMA COMPLETE POOL

COLLECTION No. 25

A splendid collection that will thrive anywhere and give a world of pleasure to you. Don't fail to have this in your pool. Your choice of the glorious August Koch or the colorful Panama Pacific, 2 year old plants, and 8 aquatic to make your pool the happiest note in the garden. Be sure to state your preference in Lilies. **\$295**  
SPECIAL COLLECTION PRICE.....

## EASY TO GROW

May 29, 1935.  
Dear Mr. Johnson:  
I have bought lilies and other plants from you for the last six years and have had wonderful success with them. I think your Blue Triumph and Panama Pacific cannot be beat for beauty and number of blooms they produce.  
Sincerely yours,  
CARL J. VOIGHT.  
Springfield, Illinois.



## AUGUST KOCH. Colored illustration on front cover.

This gloriously hued and spicily fragrant Water Lily is one of the most exquisite plants I have. The blossoms are a beautiful wistaria blue, a heavenly color that one can almost feel! The free blooming habits of the plant will endear it to you for it is covered all summer long with a profusion of flowers, often having 5 or 6 open at one time. I have always enjoyed it and feel sure you will also. For a small pool no other Lily can surpass it for it will thrive to perfection in a tub and flower until late in the season. **\$175**  
Big 2-Year-Old Full of Bloom plants. Special at.....

**DAUBEN.** A pretty pale blue flowered tropical lily that bears many little plantlets on the older leaves even on young plants. Grows easily and blooms freely. Though the flowers are not as brightly colored or as large as Panama Pacific or August Koch it is nevertheless a most interesting little plant and does well even in the tiny pool. Year old plants only..... **\$1**

★ **INDEPENDENCE.** Huge deep pink flowers! This glorious blossom sometimes reaches almost a foot in diameter, a great rosy saucer with a bright yellow cup. This year I have some splendid Two-Year-Old plants that bore just hundreds of fine flowers all last summer. When you plant them in your pool they will continue blooming just as if they had never been moved. These are not small pot plants but are growing outdoors in huge concrete pools under the same conditions your own Lilies will grow. For a thrill plant this beautiful Lily. My Full of Bloom 2-Year-Old Plants, special..... **\$175**

## PANAMA COLLECTION

October 2, 1935.  
Dear Sir:  
I want to express in a small way my appreciation to you, for the pleasure your "Panama Collection" has given me. I received the 2 year old Panama Pacific Pond Lily for my small pool (my husband made for me) along with other plants in the collection after their 3000 mile journey and all arrived in excellent condition. We set them in the pool that night and they have seemed right at home with us ever since. My water garden has been the center of attraction for all of us this year.  
Sincerely yours,  
MRS. FRED J. WILEY.  
East Brookfield, Mass.

Satisfied Customers Are My Best Advertisement  
May 5, 1935.

Dear Sirs:  
I want to tell you my pool was lovely last year. All the plants bloomed profusely. Gloriosa out-did all. I see it has already sent a bud nearly to the top of the water now. It truly is surprising since we have had a very cold and late spring. I could not forego the temptation of trying out a blue tropical for this year.  
Very truly yours,  
MRS. SYLVESTER FARRELL  
New Meadows, Idaho.



## PANAMA PACIFIC

This splendid, colorful blossom will be the pride of your pool. Easy to grow and always in flower it will give you a wealth of satisfaction. My 2-Year-Old Full of Bloom Plants will start you off a year ahead of your neighbors. Big, strong and hardy, these California outdoor grown plants have stamina and a lusty vigor not to be approached by tender, greenhouse grown, pot plants. Hundreds of satisfied customers attest the worth of these Sunshine plants..... **\$2**

REMEMBER ALL MY LEAF PROPAGATING LILIES ARE 2-YEAR-OLD PLANTS









PENNSYLVANIA

A MAGNIFICENT FREE BLOOMING LILY

## My Two Year Old PENNSYLVANIA

THESE glorious **Two-Year-Old** Tropicals are the greatest innovation in Water Lily culture ever brought out. Only those who have struggled with the ordinary, month-old, pot raised, greenhouse plants can appreciate what my big **Full of Bloom** Tropicals mean. Just think! Each of these heavy, many crowned plants, has already produced scores of foot-wide blossoms, not one or two inch flowers, but armfuls of real dinner-plate size! When you receive them they are crowded with buds, leaves and flowers and are already to start the new season. Each plant has many crowns, (they average from 5 to 7), and every crown produces its own flowers so that a single plant is a veritable riot of color. They are far hardier than any plant grown in a greenhouse can be because they are growing here in outdoor pools and have been subjected to freezing temperature during winter. They are not coddled for they do not need it. It is only possible to produce them here in Southern California where the winters are mild. Whole pools of them are here ready to be shipped as soon as your season is open. Remember that they may be safely set out earlier than greenhouse plants and that they will be in full bloom before others get turned around.

**\$2**

### Blooming in Two Days

Dear Sirs: April 1, 1935.  
The Blue Triumph and Panama Pacific were the outstanding attractions of my water garden last summer. They were blooming within two days after planting. The gorgeous color of the flowers, huge and fragrant blossoms were admired by all who saw them. There were innumerable quantities of flowers all season. I certainly urge everyone to plant these two Lilies. I want to thank you for the wonderfully strong plants you sent me. Yours truly,  
GEORGE H. STATEN, Alton, Ill.

### A Happy Experience

Dear Sirs: June 20, 1935.  
I received the Blue Triumph Lily the first week in June and was amazed at the size of the root, having only had experience with Tropical Lilies from local dealers. Just one week after planting it blossomed and it has kept it up continually with from three to five blossoms daily. To say I am pleased with it is putting it mildly. The enclosed photo was taken not long after planting. See photo at right.  
MISS EMILY L. MORRIS,  
Hamden, Conn.



# Full of Bloom TROPICAL WATER LILIES

2-Year-Old Plants—Only Johnson Can Supply Them

### TWO YEAR OLD GENERAL PERSHING

General Pershing is the shining star among pink Tropical Lilies. It has mammoth blossoms of dinner plate size raised well above the water on stiff stems. See color illustration at left above. Until you grow our Two-Year-Old Plants you will never know how gorgeous this Lily can be. My vigorous **Full-of-Bloom** plants begin to grow at once and endure cold weather that will kill less hardy ones.

**\$2**

### TWO YEAR OLD PINK PEARL

This has been one of my most popular plants. It is a very heavy bloomer and the big silvery pink blossoms thickly cover the plants for months. They are exceptionally large and unusual with their pure white throat. I have increased our plantings of it this year to several hundred for it has proved so very floriferous and has attracted so much attention from all those who have seen and planted it. Be sure and plant this for it is one I can personally recommend.

**\$2**

### TWO YEAR OLD MRS. GEORGE H. PRING

A fine, free flowering pure white Lily producing great quantities of huge blossoms often reaching a foot across. The tapering petals give it a most attractive, starry effect and when planted among the blue and pink of other brilliantly colored tropicals serves to intensify their charms.

**\$1.75**

### TWO YEAR OLD MRS. EDWARDS WHITAKER

A gigantic, sky blue Tropical often reaching 13 or more inches in diameter. The flowers open out flatly like enormous Delft blue plates. They are of an exquisite soft caerulean blue paler than Blue Triumph or Pennsylvania; have the fragrance of Mignonette. Terrific bloomers!

**\$2**



BLUE TRIUMPH

BLOOMING CONTINUOUSLY FROM MAY TILL FROST

## My Two Year Old BLUE TRIUMPH

GROW this queen of Lilies with perfect success even though you have never grown Water Lilies before. You need never fear that they will die or go dormant when you plant them simply because the weather turns cold. No other nurseryman can give you this assurance because greenhouse grown plants are only a few weeks old when you receive them and are in no state to stand unfavorable conditions in your pool or inclement weather. Have these gorgeous flowers in full bloom before those purchased elsewhere are even started! All during the summer of 1936 these husky plants have been blooming and thousands of people have visited our gardens to see them. They are a sight worth traveling far to see with their great, deep blue blossoms incredibly as large as dinner plates. During the second year the plants split up into many crowns each of which blooms just as freely as the mother plant. Pot plants never have more than one crown and thus can never approach **2-Year-Old** plants in quantity of flowers. I have counted a dozen blooms each a foot across on one plant of Blue Triumph! At the left center is a photograph showing just such a plant. **SPECIAL PRICE..... \$2**

### GOLDEN WEST POOL COLLECTION No. 26

With these splendid two-year-old plants you will have flowers at once, bigger and more beautiful than you ever dreamed of. We give you your choice of blues.

1 Pennsylvania or Blue Triumph **\$3.50**  
1 General Pershing or Independence  
TWO-YEAR-OLD PLANTS.....

With 10 of the best Bog and Water Plants to complete the planting..... **\$5**



COL. LINDBERG. An enormous blossom of deepest blue and borne high above the water on tall graceful stems. A very free bloomer. A very beautiful flower and well worth the extra price asked for it. It is rare. Two-year-old plants, **\$2.50**.

INDEPENDENCE. A very free blooming lily with large dark pink blossoms that sometimes reach a foot in diameter. A great rosy saucer with a bright yellow cup. For a thrill, plant this beauty. **\$1.75**.

LOS ANGELES. A Johnson introduction for 1936. A new hybrid particularly noted for its extreme freedom of bloom. Flowers on slender graceful stems, brightly, silvery pink in color and very fragrant. The leaves are handsomely striped with red and brown. Two-year-old plants, **\$2.00**.

PAMELA. A beautiful, clear sky blue Lily of largest size. A splendid free blooming plant. The clear, turquoise blue is most attractive and the flower is richly fragrant. Gorgeous two-year-old plants, **\$2**.

Bloomed Next Day After Three Thousand Mile Trip



### More Than Pleased

Dear Sirs: April 16, 1935.  
I am enclosing two snapshots. This was our first pool and we were more than pleased with the result. We wish to thank the Johnson Water Gardens for the splendid Lilies shipped to us. The Blue Triumph was in bloom the day after it was planted in spite of a three thousand mile journey! You will see it blooming in the center of the pool. The hardy Lilies were equally satisfactory and all have survived the winter. See photo at left. Yours truly,  
GLADYS A. MEYER,  
State School  
Belchertown, Mass.

### A Real Test

Dear Sirs: October 2, 1935.  
This spring I received a 2-Year-Old Blue Triumph from you. As I live on the north shore of Lake Superior where our short summers are noted for their coolness I was very doubtful as to whether it would bloom. I was very pleasantly surprised for the plant bloomed continuously, several blossoms at a time and was the main attraction in my pool and garden. I shall have more of them next year. Sincerely yours,  
DR. F. W. DOERR, Duluth, Minn.



# SACRED LOTUS

## These Lotus Flowered Freely

At right: "The Red Lotus had 6 blooms and the Sacred and Sunrise Queen flowered freely also. The Blue Triumph is constantly in bloom."  
J. E. WILKINSON, M.D.  
Prattville, Alabama



**T**HROUGHOUT America the Lotus grows luxuriantly and is perfectly hardy everywhere. This queen of aquatic flowers with its stately beauty thrives abundantly during our warm summer months, sending up its great shield-shaped leaves sometimes to a height of 6 feet. The gigantic blossoms, almost a foot across, overtop the leaves. They require the same general treatment as water lilies, growing in water from 6 to 12 inches deep. They like to be started in from 4 to 6 inches of water but after they take hold will thrive in even 2 feet. Give them a rich heavy loam, avoiding fresh manure, until they are growing. From the banana-like root they send out long runners which send up a leaf and a flower at each joint.

**SACRED LOTUS.** This magnificent Oriental flowering aquatic has been grown for thousands of years. Here it is grown for its exotic beauty and the splendor of its flowers. In India and China it is grown about the Temples where it is revered as a symbol of the soul. The immense pink blossoms reach a foot in diameter and exhale a sweet haunting fragrance as of musk and sandalwood redolent of the languorous East. Customers throughout America write to us their great satisfaction in growing and flowering the strangest of water plants..... **\$1.50**

## WE SHIP PROMPTLY

Dear Sir:  
The package of Lotus arrived late Saturday P. M., and I planted them carefully this morning. They are lovely plants and I surely hope they live and bloom this summer. Thank you for prompt handling.  
Very truly yours,  
MRS. S. L. WALKER,  
Charleston, S. C.

April 8, 1935

## TEMPLE GARDEN TRIO

COLLECTION No. 27

This gorgeous collection of exotic Lotus will make your garden the envy of your friends. The huge leaves and handsome flowers give an unequalled tropical effect.

SACRED LOTUS  
DOUBLE RED CHINESE LOTUS **\$4.00**  
SUNRISE QUEEN LOTUS.....

## LOTUS SPECIAL

Until May the 10th we will have a few mixed Lotus tubers of which the labels have been lost in handling. Shipped only with other plants at this **\$1.00**  
SPECIAL PRICE.....

## Lotus Make Charming Tub Plants

This beautiful Temple Garden Trio is in the garden of Mrs. Harry Ness of York, Pa. The three Lotus are planted separately in butter tubs. As may be seen they have grown and bloomed splendidly. You may grow them just as easily.



## Their Beauty Is Enjoyable

At left: "My Lotus grew 5 ft. 9 in. tall and was a beauty. We certainly recommend your plants."  
MRS. W. H. NELSON,  
Des Moines, Iowa.

## A LOTUS TUB GARDEN

March 14, 1936

Dear Sirs:  
My Egyptian Lotus is planted in a tub. It has been a wonderful plant; the bloom last year being on stems 6 feet in height. They had 5 huge blossoms at one time and were the center of much interest.  
Mrs. Clara Paulhamar,  
Montoursville, Pa.

## DOUBLE RED CHINESE LOTUS.

Turn to page 21 for colored illustration. Huge, double-red like giant American Beauty Roses. A glorious variety giving a tremendous display. A truly magnificent plant with huge flowers, closely packed with petals, a foot across. A four foot pool had a dozen open flowers at one time. **\$2.50.**

**SUNRISE QUEEN LOTUS.** Illustrated in color on page 21. This beautiful sulphur yellow Lotus is one of the prettiest and freest flowering with handsome loosely petalled blossoms. It flowers all summer long. Like all Lotus it thrives well in the tub garden. The fragrant flowers are 10 to 12 inches across. **\$1.50.**

## EXTRA HARDY ARE CALIFORNIA LILIES

Dear Sirs:  
The Lilies which I purchased from you withstood 38° below during January of this year, and several hardy plants remained alive in the basement.  
MRS. E. L. CHENEY,  
Duluth, Minn.

Gentlemen:  
May 9, 1935.  
I have had very good luck with your plants. I have 3 Hardy Lilies that stood a temperature of 35 degrees below zero a year ago this last winter.  
MRS. GEO. STRADLING,  
North Norwich, New York.

THE SACRED LOTUS IS EASY TO GROW, THRIVING AND FLOWERING IN TUBS.  
DO NOT FAIL TO PLANT IT.





# Things you will need for your Pool

## OXYGENATING PLANTS

PLANTS FOR FISH

### FISH PLANT COLLECTION

COLLECTION No. 28

**7** VARIETIES OF FISH PLANTS **\$1**  
Just right for the small pool

A necessity for every pool, these underwater plants help to keep the water clear and the fish in good health. Plant them in the boxes with the Lilies or in pots. Easy to grow and will not need replacing. Every pool should have them.

**Fish Grass or Anacharis.** The best all around variety with graceful green whorls of leaves. Grows rapidly. Fish love it. 15c bunch.

**Coontail.** One of the handsomest and easiest grown. Feathery plumes of bright green. 15c bunch.

**Water Hyacinth.** Goldfish delight to spawn on the feathery roots. 15c each.

**CRYPTOCORYNE WILLISII.** One of the most beautiful and rare of all aquarium plants. Lanceolate leaves with undulate margins and rare red flowers like a miniature Calla Lily to which family it belongs. A choice and uncommon plant. 25c.

**Ludwigia Californica.** Pretty, waxy, shining leaves and bright yellow flowers. 15c.

**Duckweed.** Tiny frond-like floating morsels of leaves. Goldfish are very fond of them. 25c ptn.

**Eel Grass (Vallisneria).** The most popular plant for aquarium or pool. Long ribbon-like green leaves. 6 for 25c.

**Floating Fern (Azolla).** Pretty, tiny floating plants of brightest green. A true Fern. 25c prtn.

**HAIR GRASS.** Forms a green lawn on the floor of the aquarium or pool. A hardy pool plant. 25c portion.

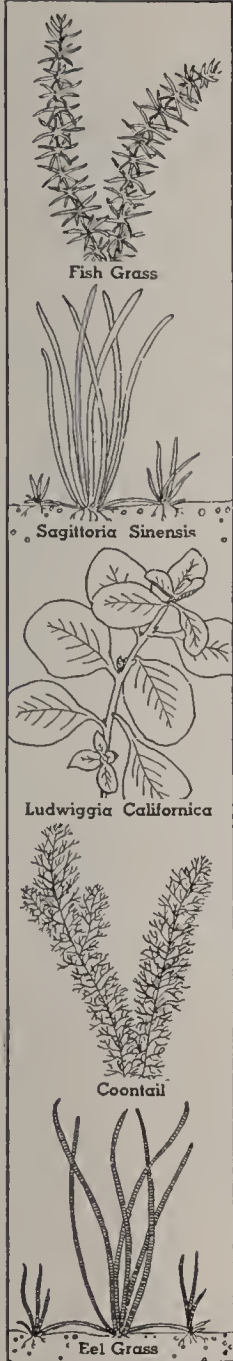
**Sagittaria natans.** Vivid green, grass-like tufts. Fine for pool or aquarium. 6 for 25c.

**Sagittaria subulata.** Long, slender, grass-like leaves for the fish to hide among. 6 for 25c.

**Sagittaria sinensis.** Similar with coppery green ribbon-like leaves. Strong grower. Offsets like a strawberry. Grows tall in summer. 15c.

**Giant Eel Grass.** A splendid plant with ribbon-like leaves a yard long. 15c.

All 15c plants, 2 for 25c.



## PAINT YOUR POOL BLUE!

COLORFUL—STOPS SMALL LEAKS

Denso Underwater Enamel in Sky Blue will add the finishing touch to your pool. Unaffected by water and aids in waterproofing, closing up small leaks. Manufactured especially for painting pools, it is a durable, beautiful finish and will last a long time.

Quart Cans.....\$1.25  
One-Half Gallon.....2.35  
One Gallon.....4.50

These prices are Express Collect from our shipping point, Independence, Ohio.

### BLOOMED 2ND DAY AFTER PLANTING

Dear Sirs: April, 1935.  
Enclosed you will find my order for this year's Water Lilies. I have ordered from you for the last few years and have been pleased in every instance. My pool has been a very wonderful advertisement for you and your plants in this locality.

Our two Tropical Lilies last year caused the most comment. They were full of huge flowers all summer (one bloomed the second day after I planted it) and the leaves were so large that people wouldn't believe they were real. Even after the first freezing weather in the fall they grew and blossomed again.

Yours truly,  
MRS. CLARA H. PAULHAMUS  
Montoursville, Pa.

### OUR LILIES BLOOM FREELY IN MICHIGAN

February 2, 1935.

Gentlemen:  
I am enclosing a snapshot of my pool showing the Blue Star and Rose Arey purchased from you last spring. This star lily produced from 2 to 6 blooms every day during the entire season and also about six small bulbs from which I am hoping to get many flowers this season.

Very truly yours,

J. C. TURNER, JR.  
Pontiac, Michigan.



## Scavengers

These interesting and necessary aquatic Snails will keep your pool clean as they eat the algae and green scum as well as decaying vegetable matter. They are quite hardy and require no care.

**Japanese Trapdoor Snails.** The largest and hardest of the Water Snails pictured at left. Devour algae and green scum. 2 for 25c.

**Coral Snails.** Beautiful coral red in color and are fine for the aquarium. 2 for 25c.

**Black Ramshorn Snails.** Very prolific and good workers in keeping the pool clean. Rapidly multiply. 5 for 25c.

## SCAVENGER COLLECTION

COLLECTION No. 29

**18** assorted Water Snails, including Coral Snails, **\$1**  
enough for the small pool. Postpaid - - -

## FISH FOOD

To keep fish in good health a proper well balanced food is necessary. Our natural foods have all the ingredients necessary to keep fish healthy and active.

**Johnson's Natural Fish Food.** A properly balanced food for both aquarium and pool. Fish love it. 85c lb., postpd.

**Dried Shrimp Meat.** Pure, shredded Shrimp Meat is an ideal food for all fish. Our Shrimp is pure, clean and wholesome, the best the market affords. 85c lb., postpaid.

**Tropical or Baby Fish Food.** Especially prepared of eight carefully selected and blended ingredients. This food is the result of years of careful experiment. Watch the little ones grow! 25c bottle, 8 oz. can \$1.25.



## WATER PLANT COLLECTIONS

THAT EVERY POOL NEEDS

### FLOWERING BEAUTIES

COLLECTION No. 30

Six handsome Flowering Plants that will add greatly to the attractiveness of your water garden. Water Hawthorne, Peacock Hyacinth, Butterfly Rush, Azure Pickerel Rush, Primrose Willow, Primrose Creeper.....**\$1.25**

### 15 WATER PLANTS FOR THE SMALL POOL

COLLECTION No. 31

A carefully selected collection of our best Foliage, Flowering and Fish Plants. Enough for a good display. 3 Water Poppies, 2 Water Hyacinths, 1 Primrose Willow, 2 Umbrella Palms, 1 Yellow Flag, 1 Primrose Creeper, 3 Bunches Fish Plants, 1 Arrowhead, 1 Azure Pickerel Rush.....**\$1.95**

## SIX SHALLOW WATER PLANTS

COLLECTION No. 32

Six choice Foliage and Flowering Plants for the small pool. They will give your pool that "natural" effect. Water Poppy, Umbrella Palm, Parrot Feather, Primrose Creeper, Arrowhead, Water Hyacinth.....**\$1**

## FLOATING PLANTS

COLLECTION No. 33

Seven Floating Plants in 5 varieties for the pool including 2 Hyacinths, Duckweed, etc.....**\$1**

## POOL ASSORTMENT

COLLECTION No. 34

Here is a group including all the things you will need to make your pool a real success.

1 lb. Natural Fish Food  
18 Scavengers  
7 Assorted Fish Plants  
3 Shallow Water Plants  
Special Group Price.....**\$2.50**



# SHALLOW WATER and BOG PLANTS

Frame your pool with these plants



EGYPTIAN PAPYRUS



IMPERIAL TARO



WATER IRIS



PRIMROSE WILLOW



PICKEREL RUSH



UMBRELLA PALM

## DEPTH FOR PLANTING WATER PLANTS

**S**OME of these plants like water up to 6 inches or more in depth and are marked thus \*. Others like to have their crowns just under, about 1 to 2 inches and are marked †. Some like to have their feet wet but the crowns just above the water and are marked thus ‡. They are all easy to grow, like a rich loam soil and should be planted on ledges built for them or in pots or tubs raised to the proper depth.

The ★ points out our feature plants.

★ **\*WATER POPPY.** Cheerful yellow flowers like golden California Poppies. With a maroon eye the blossoms are handsome and are borne in greatest profusion all summer long. Plants look like miniature Water Lilies. Grows easily and quickly. Plant plenty of them. 15c or 4 for 50c. \$1.00 per dozen.

† **Primrose Willow.** A graceful, bushy plant with large golden yellow flowers and willow-like leaves. Grows from 2 to 3 feet high and is always in flower for every leaf brings a blossom. We have it in bloom from April to December. It is hardy everywhere and easy to grow in any pool. 35c. 3 for 75c.

† **True Giant Arrowhead.** (Sag. montevidensis). See colored plate below. This rare and uncommon aquatic will grow under good cultivation to 5 ft. high with stems as thick as your arm and huge flower spikes. The flowers are very attractive, white with a rich maroon eye and the plant is never out of bloom. One of the best. It likes a rich soil. 35c. 3 for \$1.00.

★ **\*PEACOCK HYACINTH.** See photo at right. Clusters of brilliant purple-blue flowers with peacock eye. Never fails to bloom in any pool all summer. The handsome, orchid like blossoms are borne in short spikes in the leaf axils. Plant it in the mud in deep or shallow water and it will grow to the surface where it will creep about among the Lily pads. Every pool, large or small, should have it. Grows very easily. 35c each. 3 for \$1.00.

★ † **IMPERIAL TARO.** An Elephant Ear with stunning leaves each deeply variegated with rich, violet-black! It came from India but is perfectly at home here where it grows with the greatest freedom. Thrives in 2 inches of water or in damp soil. In the fall pot it as a house plant, putting the pot in a saucer of water. 50c ea., 3 for \$1.25.

★ **WATER HYACINTH.** The most elegant of floating plants whose delicate spikes of blossoms rival an orchid for beauty. Illustrated in color on front cover. Most easily grown it flowers best when its roots are allowed to find soil 6 to 8 inches below. The plants should be moored to a stake or put close among the Water Lily pads else they will float about and not flower so freely. A great plant for goldfish who spawn upon the roots. 2 for 25c.

★ † **AZURE PICKEREL PLANT.** A most attractive novelty from South America where it grows in the swamps about Montevideo. From 2 ft. to 6 ft. tall, each heart-shaped leaf bears a spike of bright blue flowers. Blooming throughout the summer. 35c each.

★ **\*WATER HAWTHORNE.** See photo at bottom of page. This exquisite water plant is to me the best of all the small aquatics. It blooms incessantly, the dainty white blossoms are forked and sprinkled with tiny black anthers. It has the true sweet fragrance of English Hawthorne and blooms and grows here even with ice on the pool! Plant in water from 4 to 12 inches deep. Special at 35c. 3 for \$1.00.

## NOVELTIES AMONG AQUATICS



**PYMGY EGYPTIAN PAPYRUS**  
I recommend this for every pool! A perfect plant for the center piece or odd corner. 35c.

### COLLECTION OF ALL 3 FOR \$1.

#### DOUBLE JAP ARROWHEAD

You want the best and here it is. Long spikes of double white flowers and a great bloomer. Flowers all summer. A real gem. 50c.



**BUTTER CUP BUSH**  
Big 2 inch yellow blossoms! Free in bloom. Easy to grow. A real flowering water shrub. 35c.



**WATER POPPY**  
A splendid, most easily grown aquatic. 2 for 25c

**WATER HAWTHORNE**  
The best of small aquatics. 35c

† **PICKEREL RUSH.** A fine, hardy aquatic liking shallow water where it forms a cluster of heart shaped leaves, each one bearing a spike of amethyst blossoms from its center. Grows easily. 25c.

† **Parrot Feather.** Soft, feathery, parrot green tendrils. Fine for planting at the base of taller plants where it will spread out into a feathery carpet. Grows rapidly. 2 bunches for 25c.

## AQUATIC COLLECTIONS FOR THE TINY POOL

### COLLECTION No. 35

This collection is just the thing for the tiny pool. In it are plants for the fish, taller plants for the center and corners, floating plants and lily like flowering plants.

Water Poppy, Arrowhead, Fish Grass, Pickerel Plant, Primrose Creeper, Water Hyacinth, Parrot Feather, Umbrella Palm, Primrose Willow, Water Clover, Yellow Flag, \$150  
Ludwigia. 12 Aquatics for.....



## FOR THE LARGER POOL

### COLLECTION No. 36

A more complete group and a wider selection for the small pool. You will be surprised how easily and quickly they will grow.

Peacock Hyacinth, Primrose Willow, Water Poppy, Azure Pickerel Plant, Parrot Feather, Floating Heart, Water Iris, 4 Leaf Water Clover, Primrose Creeper, Umbrella Palm, Hair Grass, Fish Plants, Water Hyacinths, Pickerel Rush, \$200  
Sweet Flag.....

My famous Flowering Beauties and other worthwhile collections together with other necessities for the small pool will be found on page 6.



**PEACOCK HYACINTH**  
An easily grown beauty, 35c  
**WATER HYACINTH AND PARROT FEATHER**  
These two plants for 25c







Above: Azure Pickerel  
Left: Water Hyacinth  
Center: Water Poppy

#### LILIES

Top: Splendida  
Right: Comanche  
Bottom: Conqueror

#### THREE OF THE BEST

##### COLLECTION No. 37

This fine collection of plants as pictured. Three ever-blooming Water Lilies and an extraordinary assortment of three aquatics. For the 6 ft. to 10 ft. pool it **\$3** will be hard to surpass.....

Here's a Real Thrill—Send for Above Collection Today!

#### MORE SHALLOW WATER PLANTS

★† **Egyptian Papyrus.** Our most popular water plant. The plummy heads in the color above show the grace and distinction of this famed plant. The tall, slender stems each bear on the ends big plummy heads of threadlike leaves. When well grown the heads are 18 ins. across. Grows well in 2 inches of water or will grow equally well in damp soil about the pool or in the lawn. The Egyptians made paper of it by pressing thin slices of the pithy stems in sheets. 35c each. 3 for \$1.00.

★ \* **Floating Heart.** Bright yellow blossoms on plants that look like miniature Water Lilies. The leaves are beautiful, splotted with red and daintily scalloped about the edges. The flowers are borne on floating runners and are continually produced. 20c each. 3 for 50c.

† 4 **Leaf Water Clover.** A handsome Water Fern with clover like fronds. This pretty, hardy plant grows equally well in deep or shallow water. When planted in deep water the fronds float on the surface. 20c each. 3 for 50c.

\* **Primrose Creeper.** A rapidly growing aquatic vine for covering rocks and will quickly grow over concrete edge of pool. Beautiful, shining green leaves, veined white and handsome large golden yellow blossoms. When growing out over the water it is partially submerged, the long wreath-like tendrils being very graceful. 20c. 3 for 50c.

† **Japanese Arrowhead.** A freely flowering plant for shallow water with most attractive, soldierly, arrow-shaped leaves and pretty spikes

#### SOME CONTRAST!

Sept. 3, 1935.

Dear Sir:

I have had wonderful success with the Water Lilies purchased from you; they have bloomed constantly all summer long and are still blooming. **SOME CONTRAST** with a couple I purchased from Eastern water gardens that have not bloomed at all, even the Lilies grown by me from seed purchased from you are blooming and are fine little flowers.

Sincerely yours,  
ARTHUR J. OWEN,  
Oswego, N. Y.

#### Pleased With Results

Dear Sirs:

The Lilies which I purchased from you last May are very satisfactory. They have yielded blossoms every day since July 10. For your interest I am enclosing two pictures of my small pool showing the Marliac Trio. You will notice that there are eight blossoms from these three plants—four are yellow, two pink and two white.

MARLEAH E. GRAVES,  
Saugus, Mass.



#### NOTHING LIKE A POOL

November 22, 1935.

Gentlemen:

Here is a picture of our pool with Johnson Lilies growing in them. This year they were especially beautiful. I myself think it is no garden without a pool. This year we have planted the Star Trio, Gloriosa, Yellow Pygmy, Golden West Collection, Blue Triumph, Panama Pacific and some aquatics, in a new pool my husband built.

Yours truly,  
MRS. CARL ZIMMERMAN,  
Miles City, Montana.

#### MORE CONTRAST!

Gentlemen:

The Water Lilies I purchased from you last month are most satisfactory. I planted some local Lilies a month before I planted yours and they have not bloomed yet while yours are in full bloom, only a little over two weeks after planting. They are the finest I have ever seen and am glad to recommend them to anyone wanting the best.

Sincerely yours,  
J. A. KNIGHT,  
Eatonton, Ga.

#### DOLLAR SPECIAL

##### COLLECTION NO. 38

Bargain Aquatics for Small Pool.

2 WATER POPPIES  
2 WATER HYACINTHS  
2 PRIMROSE CREEPERS  
1 WATER IRIS  
1 FLOATING HEART

**\$1**

of white flowers. In rich soil it rapidly forms new colonies. 25c. 3 for 60c.

★† **BUTTERFLY RUSH.** (Sag. Papillosa). Graceful, arching spikes of fluttering, butterfly-like blossoms. The green fan-like spray of leaves grows from 2 to 4 feet high. One of the best novelties we have introduced. An easily grown, necessary plant. 35c.

† **Water Canna.** Tropical looking, large, canna-like leaves topped by tall arching spikes of purple flowers. Grows 3 to 5 feet tall and is hardy anywhere. Thrives in shallow water. 35c.

† **Porcupine Grass.** Porcupine quills banded cream and green alternately. A handsome plant growing 2 feet high. 25c.

† **Umbrella Palm.** This popular shallow water plant has plummy heads of narrow leaves on slender stems 2 to 4 feet tall. Grows easily and never fails to make an attractive plant. Closely related to the Papyrus. Grows equally well in moist soil or water. 25c, 3 for 50c.

† **Chinese Water Chestnut.** Grows easily in shallow water with quill-like leaves 2 feet high. In the fall bears the famous Water Chestnuts on the roots. 25c.

‡ **Purple Loosestrife.** This hardy aquatic perennial enjoys shallow water. A colony of it is beautiful with its tall spikes of brilliant, rosy flowers. Grows easily, coming up year after year. 25c.

† **Graceful Cattail.** The prettiest form of Cattail. Long, slender, double cattails and graceful, arching, silver-green leaves. A very handsome variety, not too strong a grower. 25c.





## AN ORIENTAL POOL

COLLECTION No. 39

The beautiful, exotic Lotus illustrated at the right will give a finishing touch of charm to your pool. Lotus make fine tub plants. Their huge, rose-like blossoms and strange languorous perfume are a part of the Orient transplanted.

1 DOUBLE RED CHINESE LOTUS \$3.25  
1 SUNRISE QUEEN LOTUS  
SPECIAL PRICE.....



THE NELUMBUM  
or Egyptian Lotus

Top: Sunrise Queen Lotus \$1.50  
Bottom: Double Red Chinese Lotus \$2.50

## SHALLOW WATER PLANTS (continued)

★ † Flowering Rush. This graceful Rush has soft, pink blossoms in round heads, sometimes 6 inches across! The fountain-like clumps of leaves are 3-angled. Thrives in shallow water. A fine plant! 25c.

★ † Yellow Water Iris. Tall spikes of yellow blossoms in the spring. No pool can be without Water Iris for they grow so easily and with their tall clumps of silvery-green leaves, slender and pointed like rapiers, they fill a place few others can. 25c.

‡ Blue Flag. Beautiful, large porcelain-blue flowers with darker veining. One of the most charming of Water Iris, growing easily and luxuriantly in shallow water. 25c.

‡ Purple Flag. Graceful spikes of large purple flowers surmounting grassy leaves. 25c.

Iris versicolor. Charming, sky-blue, veined flowers and pleasing clumps of pale green leaves. 25c.

‡ Giant Yellow Flag. Similar to Yellow Flag but reaching to a height of 6' when well-grown. 25c.

## DOUBLE FLOWERING JAPANESE ARROWHEAD

Grows like the Japanese Arrowhead but bears large spikes of beautiful, snow-white, very double flowers that look like pompons. One of our choicest sub-aquatics. 50c.



## DWARF LILIES

The use of the Dwarf Lilies to be planted amongst the shallow water plants is greatly to be recommended. They thrive in 3 or 4 inches of water and the blooms are most charming.

CARMINE BUTTERFLY. This tiny Lily bears flowers like fluttering pink butterflies. It is remarkably free in flower often having several blossoms at a time. It grows readily and comes into bloom almost at once. Plant it in any corner and watch it brighten the pool. Give it the same care as you would a water poppy—3 or 4 inches of water, some rich soil and a small open space. \$1.

YELLOW PYGMY. This pretty dwarf bears quantities of bright, cheerful, yellow blossoms. You will be surprised at the great number it will have from 3 to 5 at a time! A very dainty little plant and a companion for Pink Butterfly. 75c.

AT LEFT: Flowering True Giant Arrowhead



ABOVE:  
Yellow Marliac  
Water Lily

## 8 BOG PLANTS

COLLECTION No. 40

Here are 8 distinctly better plants for the bog. They like 2 or 3 inches of water and all grow most freely.

Primrose Willow, Azure Pickerel Plant, Pickerel Rush, Butterfly Rush, Umbrella Palm, Water Iris, Primrose \$1.50  
Creeper, Floating Heart.....

## MARGINAL PLANTS

## BORDER PLANT COLLECTION

COLLECTION No. 41

\$1.50

10 plants in 7 varieties.....

Variegated Ribbon Grass. For borders or in the rock garden, this prettily striped grass is just the thing. The green and white striped leaves grow in tufts. Our grandmothers called it Gardener's Garters. 20c. 3 for 50c.

Palm Grass. A tall palm-like tropical grass growing rapidly to 3' to 5'. One of the most graceful of grasses and just the plant for the pool. 25c.

Eulalia gracillima. A tall graceful grass, each leaf with a silvery midrib. Fine in the back ground. 25c.

False Dragon Head. Spreading, close clumps from which spring 2' spikes of pink, hooded blossoms. Good in the border. A very hardy perennial. 20c.

Torch Lily. A beautiful African lakeside plant. A hardy plant with magnificent spikes of brilliant orange and red flowers. The spikes are sometimes 5' high and last for weeks with hundreds of tubular flowers! Graceful, grassy clumps of leaves. Plant in full sun. 20c. 3 for 50c.

★ Sempervivum or Hen and Chickens. These small rosettes form charming clusters when planted in the rock garden where they are perfectly at home. They are hardy everywhere. 4 varieties for 50c.

## DAY LILY COLLECTION

COLLECTION No. 42

\$1.00

Five Day Lilies for.....

★ Double Orange Day Lily. Very large, double lilies of a bright burnt orange. A gorgeous blooming plant thriving anywhere in either damp or dry soil. Very hardy. Graceful clumps. 25c.

★ Hardy Fountain Grass. A handsome, fountain-like grass, growing 2' to 3' high. During the summer produces scores of rosy, cattail-like plumes. Most effective and easy to grow. Hardy and grows in damp or dry soils. 20c. 3 for 50c.

Blue Bugle. A fine creeping plant with blue blossoms for covering between rocks. Grows well in sun or shade. Hardy. A good plant around the pool. 20c. 3 for 50c.

Lemon Lily. Beautiful, lemon yellow lilies on tall scapes. Very fragrant. The graceful clumps of foliage are effective. 25c.

Brown Day Lily. Beautiful, coppery orange flowers on tall scapes. Forms nice colonies. Very hardy. 25c.

★ Orange Day Lily. A splendid, cadmium yellow, large flowered Day Lily of the hardiest sort. Thrives for years. 25c.

Gold Dust. A very pretty dwarf Lily with rich, yellow blossoms. Forms neat clumps. Hardy. 25c.

BLUE AFRICAN LILY. (Agapanthus umbellatus). A lily-like border plant with big 10" heads of bright blue bells! Handsome! May be potted and grown in a tub, keep it in the basement in the winter. 50c.

## Stars Bloom Heavily

"This picture shows your Star Trio in bloom. Hardy Tropical Lilies surely are great bloomers and most fragrant. I can sincerely say I like them best above all other Water Lilies."

MRS. CARL ZIMMERMAN.

"My Blue Star Hardy Tropical Lily did very well and bloomed heavily all summer with from 4 to 5 flowers at once. This year I have 5 bulbs which are already starting into growth."

GEO. D. HARDING,  
Ottumwa, Iowa.

## STAR LILIES





# CACTUS & SUCCULENTS



**HEDGE HOG CACTUS**  
*Echinopsis hybrida*.  
Easiest of all to grow. 25c



**PAPER SPINED OPUNTIA**  
*Opuntia glomerata*  
A very rare South American Cactus with paper like white spines. Forms nice clusters. 50c.



**LIVING ROCK**  
Amongst the strangest of plants. Easy to grow. 25c.

A fascinating hobby that you can have success with! Grow dozens of different kinds of these strangely beautiful plants even in a small window garden! Everyone can grow them. They thrive with very little attention or watering. Many have orchid-like flowers!



**CACTUS LAND**

A view in my cactus houses.

Tens of thousands of these fascinating treasures are growing here. Be the first in your community to collect these captivating treasures!

## EUPHORBIA OBESA

A strange and rare cactus-like plant from the desert wastes of far-away Africa. The fat round plants are like a Sea Urchin, growing into a ball without spines or leaves! An extremely scarce plant for the real collector. \$1 and \$2.



## STONE FACES

The Lithops are among the strangest of all mimic plants. They imitate rocks so closely as to be almost invisible. Beautifully pencilled with maroon and with vari-colored blossoms. 35c each. The 3 varieties pictured above. L. Leslie, L. Mundtii, L. pseudotruncatellum, for \$1.



## MEXICAN FIRECRACKER

The pretty Echeveria setosa is one of our most treasured plants. The soft leaves are covered with white plush-like hairs. The flowers, richly colored red tipped with yellow, last a long time. Grows and blooms well. You will like it. 30c.



## STARFISH FLOWER

The strange, flesh-like Stapelia variegata with its curious animal-like flowers will be a treasured part of your collection. You will have to prove to your friends that it is real. This startling plant comes from far-off Africa. Easily grown as a window plant. 35c. 3 varieties for \$1.



## SOME BEAUTIFUL CACTI

Many Cacti have beautiful blossoms rivalling Orchids in interest. Among the prettiest are those easiest to grow. Try these in your window.

**QUEEN OF THE NIGHT.** Easy to grow with spectacular white blossoms bigger than dinner plates! Opening in the evening the immense flowers are amongst the largest in the family. 50c.

**HONOLULU QUEEN CEREUS.** A magnificent variety with snowy flowers 14 inches across! Imported these from Hawaii from the world famous night blooming hedge. 50c.

**RED ORCHID CACTUS.** Gorgeous red blossoms 6 inches across. Blooms very freely all summer. Small plants bloom well. Thornless and one of the easiest of all to grow. 35c.

**WHITE ORCHID CACTUS.** Starry white blossoms. Extremely free in bloom flowering all summer. Often produces 50 flowers in a season. Grows readily. You will like it. 35c.

**YELLOW ORCHID CACTUS.** A splendid, quickly growing variety with yellow blossoms. Handsome. 35c.

*The above 3 varieties in nice plants for \$1*

**HEDGE HOG CEREUS.** (Echinocereus). Small growing cacti with large vividly colored blossoms. **E. Blanckii.** A beauty with brilliant pink blossoms 3 inches across. 25c. **E. papillosus.** Big yellow blossoms with a red center. 25c. **E. bicolor.** Gorgeous pink flowers. Hardy. 30c.

## FLOWERING CACTUS COLLECTION No. 50

10 varieties noted for their pretty blossoms. In this I will give you satisfaction including Queen of the Night, various Orchid Cacti, Honolulu Queen, Yellow Ball, etc.

\$3.50 value SPECIAL \$2.50

**GIANT STARFISH FLOWER.** Immense flowers over a foot across! One of the strangest blossoms known. A plant curiosity. 50c.

**Hairy Starfish Flower.** Handsome large 5 pointed purple stars fringed with violet hair. 50c. 3 large flowered kinds for \$1

**LIVING ROCK.** These strangest of mimicry plants resemble the rocks among which they grow perfectly. Big yellow blossoms 3 inches across. 25c.

**Pussy Ears.** A creeper with hairy leaves and brilliant purple flowers. 25c.

**Tiger Aloe.** Handsome striped leaves. Splendid red blossoms. 25c.

**Corn Cob Euphorbia.** Stems are marked like grains of corn. Grows easily. You will like it. 25c.

**CROWN OF THORNS.** The Christ's Thorn. Said to have been used at the crucifixion. Handsome scarlet flowers. 35c.

**Free**—With each order my booklet "Culture of Cacti". Illustrated planting directions.





#### PEANUT CACTUS

One of the fastest growing cacti, often producing 20-30 branches in a season! A dwarf plant blooming freely the first year! Nice plants, 25c. Larger, 50c. Grafted Plants, 50c. Make fine specimens.



#### RED ORCHID CACTUS

It is hard to describe this gorgeous blossom with full justice. Will bloom all summer with buds at every notch of its flat, spineless leaves. Though not particular it likes plenty of water and some shade. Small plants bloom freely. Easy to grow. I recommend it fully. 25c and 35c.



#### GOLDEN HEDGE HOG

Hedge Hog Cacti bloom freely in the window garden or outdoors. Blossoms are large and very showy. Anyone will have success with them. This is the only yellow flowered one. Fine plants, 50c. Larger, 75c. Big, \$1.



#### INCH WORM PLANT (Klivia pendula)

This curious plant seems to be undecided as to whether it belongs to the plant or animal world! Each stem starts upward then bows over to return to the ground, advancing thus in Inch Worm fashion. 75c.



#### NIGHT BLOOMING CEREUS

Collection No. 52

Magnificent night blooming cacti with huge flowers 14" across! The plants I offer are well rooted specimens. Each one entirely different. Queen of the Night, Honolulu Queen, Princess of the Night, Snake Cactus, Queen Cactus. **\$150**

#### 1937 CACTUS CATALOG

My prettiest catalog with 24 pages of colored plates, hundreds of descriptions and photos of plants and gardens. Sent free with cactus orders. PRICE 10c

#### Pleasure from a Window Garden

Mrs. Harry Lewis of Washington sent in this picture of her splendid window garden. Can you imagine a more interesting feature in a room? Note how well it fits in with the furnishings. There is no untidy mess, nor do they require daily care.



#### COMPLETE STRAWBERRY JAR

Collection No. 51

A real cactus garden complete in every detail! A pretty pottery jar with 3 planting pockets and wide mouth, six handsome plants and soil complete. Delivered Price. **\$175**

#### BOXING GLOVE CACTUS

(Opuntia mamillata cristata)

Crested Cacti are what all fanciers seek most. This is a beautiful, completely crested variety that every collection should have! Forms a short trunk and then begins to crest. As it expands you will see how it secured its name. 50c.



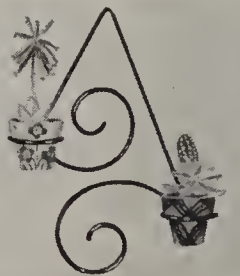
## NOVELTY CACTUS

Mexican Hand Painted Pots. Prices include pots, holder, plant and soil. All shipped prepaid

Wall Bracket with 1 pot.....75c

Wall Bracket as illustrated at right.....80c

THE TWO FOR.....\$1.10



Wall Bracket as illustrated at left.....90c

These attractive novelties make fine gifts. Hang on the wall anywhere. They will make no muss.

Collection of above 3 brackets.....\$1.75



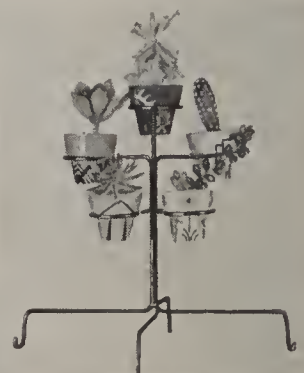
#### PLANT STANDS

4 Pot Stand.....\$1.00

5 Pot Stand..... 1.25

6 Pot Stand..... 1.50

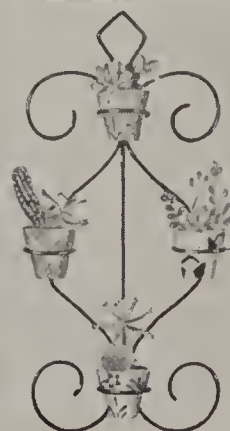
Collection of Above 3 stands \$3.25



Wall Bracket with 4 pots as illustrated..\$1.

Collection containing 1 pot Wall Bracket 3 pot Bracket and 4 pot Stand.....\$2.

A pleasure to give them as bridge prizes! Need little care! Last for years. Full instructions on their care packed with every order.





# THE MAMILLARIAS

OR DUMPLING CACTI ARE AMONG  
THE GEMS OF THE PLANT WORLD



**AN AMATEUR'S CACTUS GARDEN**  
The Cactus collection of Carl L. Raddatz, Minn. Such an interesting group brings Mr. Raddatz many hours of pleasure.

## Plant Them Any Time

**POWDER PUFF** (*Mamillaria bocasana*). A powder puff in fact with silky white hair, yellow blossoms and exquisite carmine-red fruits. Easy and quick grower. 25c.

**Ruby Dumpling Cactus.** An especially free blooming variety. In summer and fall its brilliant red flowers are always to be seen. Quick, easy grower. 25c.

**Thimble Cactus.** Produces quantities of babies each of which will make a plant! A very pretty white variety. Grows readily. 25c.

**Rainbow Dumpling.** Everyone admires this one with its many-colored spines and brilliant red blossoms. Grows quickly. 25c.

**Birds Nest Cactus.** Most interesting! Straw-yellow twisted spines, creamy flowers and soon forms a nice cluster of babies about the mother. 35c.

**GOLDEN STARS.** Let me recommend this one as something every gardener will like. Small plants with harmless spines of brightest yellow. Pretty cream blossoms. Make pretty dwarf specimens with many branches! 25c. A collection of 4 distinct varieties of these for 50c.



**CORAL CACTUS**

A very easy to grow Dumpling Cactus which for months is brilliant with red berries. Blooms very freely. Large flowering size plants as above. 50c.



**A HAPPY FANCIER**

Mrs. E. Overgaard of Minnesota has had great success with her Cacti. The plant she is holding so carefully is a Hedge Hog Cactus (*E. hybrida*) which has beautiful large blossoms that are delightfully fragrant. Mrs. Overgaard says it grows all the time and flowers all summer long. Fine plants of the Hybrid Hedge Hog 25c. Large blooming size plants that have flowered the past 3 years shipped during the flowering season with buds. \$2 each.



**A LADY FROM PUERTO RICO**  
Senor Riera says his little girl is not included in his Cactus collection. Some of our plants in the Riera collection at San Juan, Puerto Rico.

**Silver Dumpling Cactus.** Illustrated in color bottom of page 22. Blooms when quite small with red flowers in early spring. Fine. 30c.

### FIVE POWDER PUFF MAMILLARIAS

One of each of Powder Puff, *M. longicoma*, *M. Kunzeana*, *M. Schelhasei* and Ruby Dumpling Cactus. All of these except the last have white hair. A pretty group, easy to grow. \$1.

### GLORY OF TEXAS (*Thelocactus bicolor*)

Two-inch wide pink blossoms. Flowers freely and grows easily. The plants are the size and shape of an orange and those I am offering are fully grown blooming size plants. One can not imagine a more beautiful flower. 50c each.

### Mamillaria Collections



#### COLLECTION No. 156

Ten fine varieties including the fleecy white *M. bocasana*; 9 other noteworthy kinds.....

**\$2**

#### COLLECTION No. 157

25 varieties incl. many of the best as Lamb's Wool, Silver Dumpling, Fish Hook. A real fanciers' group.....

**\$4**

#### COLLECTION No. 158

10 varieties noted for the beauty of their spine patterns.....

**\$2**

#### COLLECTION No. 159

10 varieties noted for their beautiful flowers and fruits.....

**\$2**



#### 125 VARIETIES

This fine collection of Miss Nina Wehrheim of Illinois. Miss Wehrheim writes that during the summer she keeps them on the back porch, bringing them indoors in the winter. Some of her plants are very rare.



**MAMILLARIA PARKINSONII**

A white spined species from Mexico with charming dark pink blossoms followed by a chaplet of scarlet fruits. Notice how the nipples are arranged in spiral rows. 30c.



**STAR CACTUS**



**STONE FACE**



**HARTS TONGUE**



**AIR PLANT**



**MAMILLARIA**

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CACTUS

Collection

No. 161

The three center plants come from Africa. The Stone Face is found in the barren parts of the Karoo where it mimics the pebbles among which it is found so closely as to be invisible. The Air Plant produces babies on the tips of every leaf. An interesting and curious collection.....

**\$1.25**



# 5 Rare BARGAIN Collections



**WHITE TORCH CACTUS**  
(Trichocereus Spachianus)

This photograph is not an exaggeration but shows what a Trichocereus can do when well grown. Each snowy blossom is 6 inches across and what a sight their sparkling masses are in the morning sunlight! The easiest growing Cactus quickly forming clusters of stems bright green with brown spines. I can recommend this to everyone. 25c. Larger \$1.00, \$2.50 and \$5.00.

## CEREUS

These cacti have beautiful flowers, some of them over a foot across! Others grow to gigantic size becoming trees 60 feet high.

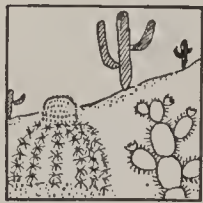
**Silver Torch Cactus.** Bears tubular red flowers in great abundance. A small, slender column branching at the base with soft, silvery white spines. An elegant and beautiful plant most easily grown. The glossy, white spines are soft and harmless. 35c.

**Giant Mexican Cereus.** A huge tree-like cactus often reaching a height of 60 feet and weighing tons! Grows readily in small pots. 25c.

**Powder Blue Cereus.** A handsome species the small plants being colored blue. 25c.

**OLD MAN CACTUS** (Pilocereus senilis). The pride of every cactus collection! A handsome Mexican plant with long white hair. Grows most easily especially as a pot plant. Every collection should have it. Turn to rear cover for illustration. Bargain price. 35c. Larger 50c, \$1 and \$2.50.

**BRAZILIAN OLD MAN.** A splendid novelty just introduced! Grows rapidly and easily. Covered with long woolly white hair. Fine. 35c and 50c.



## FANCIERS COLLECTION

A REAL COLLECTION AT A LOW PRICE

For those who wish to secure a foundation collection of Cacti and Succulents at a great saving I offer this splendid group. In it I endeavor to give a representative selection of the most favored kinds and will include in it such rare and interesting things as the **Old Man, Queen of the Night,**

**Tiger's Jaw, Living Rock, Starfish Flower, Peanut Cactus, White Torch, Snake Cactus** and many others to be found in any worthwhile collection. All plants are of my first quality sent postage paid and guaranteed to arrive in perfect condition.

No. 163A—12 Labelled varieties—	\$250
My selection.....	
No. 163B—25 Labelled varieties—	\$500
My selection.....	
No. 163C—55 Labelled varieties	\$1000
My selection.....	

## HOME CACTUS COLLECTION

COLLECTION No. 164

With the Splendid Book "Cacti in the Home"

If you are interested in Cacti only, but feel at a loss to select the varieties that will do well with you, let me help you. In this collection I have selected only such plants as our experience has shown will grow easily for the inexperienced fancier. I want you to have success and to insure it we send you also the finely illustrated book "Cacti in the Home", 50 pages of real information on the care of Cacti. 25 varieties of Cacti, my selection, including a grafted

**Peanut Cactus and Book, "CACTI IN THE HOME"** for only..... **\$5**

## OLD MEN CACTI

One of the Most Interesting of Groups  
COLLECTION No. 165



With this group you will have the nucleus of an extremely interesting collection. It contains the always beautiful white haired **Old Man**, the handsome new **Brazilian Old Man** with cottony white wool, the **Old Man of the Mountain, Golden Club Cactus** with handsome golden spines and the **Old Man of the Andes** with long silvery hair. This grows high in the Peruvian Andes.

All of these are most easily grown and will form a high point in any collection. A bargain group at..... **\$150**

**Snow Ball Cactus.** A rare Old Man from Peru where it grows high in the mountains. Densely covered with white wool. 50c.

**Star Cereus.** In winter the stems often turn a beautiful red. The spine clusters are like little stars. 25c.

## MEXICAN CACTUS POTS

Beautiful hand painted pots just right for tiny cacti. Almost every pot different in design or color. Handsome native Mexican designs. Pots 1-inch in diameter.

6 pots postpaid.....60c  
12 pots postpaid.....90c

Small plants suitable for them, my choice, \$1.25 per dozen; 6 for 75c.



**SNAKE CACTUS**  
(Nyctocereus serpentinus)

From the first you will be pleased with the Snake Cactus. The flower buds are scattered irregularly, developing all summer long. The snowy flowers open in the evening, their luscious fragrance haunting the dusk. It grows very rapidly, the fluted stems decked with accurately spaced stars of white spines. Everyone can succeed with it. 25c. Larger 35c and 50c.

**Queen of the Night and Honolulu Queen on Page 19.**

**Night Blooming Harrisia Jusberrtii.** Another free blooming cactus with the prettiest snowy blossoms. Grows easily and quickly. You will like it. 25c.

**PERUVIAN APPLE CACTUS.** Grows the quickest of almost any Cactus. Bears handsome big white lily-like flowers followed by delicious red "apples". Splendid! 25c. Large 50c and \$1.

**A Plant Curiosity.** (Cereus pern. monstruosus). A strange, monstrous form of cactus making a handsome specimen. The plants I offer are perfect grafted specimens and will be the pride of your collection. I personally recommend them 50c. Large 75c and \$1.

**Woolly Torch Cactus.** Bears tufts of wool at the base of each spine cluster. As the plants reach flowering size the wool becomes very thick, long and silky white. Grows quickly. 35c. 3 varieties for \$1.

**Golden Torch Cactus.** Bright yellow spines and later bearing much soft white wool. 35c.

**PRINCESS OF THE NIGHT.** A grand plant with big flowers 14 inches across! The blossoms are white inside, yellow on the outside and open in the evening. Your friends will come from miles around to see these strange flowers. Easy to grow. 50c.

# CURIOSITY COLLECTION—You'll Like It...



**Peanut Cactus**

A quick growing little Cereus with handsomest scarlet blossoms. Grows anywhere. 25c.

**Fish Hook**

Strange Fish Hook Cacti. Nipples tipped with hooked spines. 25c.

**Mamillaria**

These Dumpling Cacti are among the gems of the plant world. Easy to grow. 25c.

**Huernia**

A curious African succulent with star-shaped red blossoms. 35c.

**Xmas Cheer**

Fat leaves heavily tipped with red during winter. Yellow flowers. 25c.

**Silver Dumpling**

Bright red blossoms and snowy white spines. This charming Dumpling Cactus comes from Mexico. 25c.

**COLLECTION No. 5A**—The six plants pictured above will thrive in pots or planted in a brightly colored pottery bowl will make an attractive table ornament. For gifts to your friends they are unique and most acceptable. Cactus and succulents thrive in gas heated rooms for they are not affected by dry heat as are less hardy plants. They grow easily and require little care.

**\$1.15**



# NEW CACTUS BOOKS and PERIODICALS



**HART'S TONGUE**

One of the best succulents. Plant it in an ornamental pot. 25c.

**Cactus in the Home.** Have you questions to ask about your cactus and succulents? Soils, sunlight, how to make them bloom, when to water? This 50-page booklet answers all your questions sensibly and fully. I fully recommend it. 50c.

**The Desert Magazine.** Every Cactus and Succulent fancier and nature lover must have this splendid monthly magazine. Interesting, helpful articles about the culture of your plants. Articles on the birds and animals inhabiting the deserts. Sidelights on the deserts of Africa, Australia, South America, the Canary Islands, etc. Would you like to know the latest things about your Cacti with illustrations of rare and curious kinds? Once a month this journal will come to you crammed full of helpful articles and photographs. \$1.50.

**The Stapeliaceae.** By Alain White and Boyd L. Sloane. This book has been a work of love, as you will see when you receive it. Handsomely illustrated with scores of beautiful photographs, it deals in detail with this extremely interesting group of desert plants. Among them are found some of the largest and certainly most curious flowers known. Every fancier will need this splendid book for reference, for it is simply written but scientifically accurate, giving cultural details besides a digest of the scattered literature of other writers. \$3.

**Cactus Culture.** By Ellen D. Schultz. A well illustrated book of 157 pages. Fine chapters on Indoor Cactus Gardens, Building the Outdoor Cactus Garden, Grafting, How to Recognize a Cactus, etc. You will enjoy having it to turn to. \$2.00.

**The Euphorbia Review.** The organ of the International Euphorbia Society, issued quarterly. Those specifically interested in Euphorbias should by all means join this Society and get in touch with others interested in the same group. Membership and periodical, \$2 per year.

**Cactus and Succulent Journal.** No one interested in cacti can afford to be without this monthly magazine. A chatty journal profusely illustrated, dealing with the culture and care of Desert Plants. There are

**Y**OU are missing half of the pleasure of growing these interesting plants if you do not have some book of reference to turn to when you are perusing a catalog or when you want to know further about the plants you already have. There is a great American Cactus and Succulent Society with hundreds of members while in Europe every country has a National Cactus Society. The monthly magazines published about these desert dwellers are full of interesting data. Many of the books are well illustrated, some having beautiful colored plates. All are of interest to the cactus fan.



**HEDGE HOG CACTUS**

It blooms anywhere. Pink blossoms the size of Easter Lilies. 25c.

articles for the beginner and articles taking up the latest scientific details. It is the official publication of the Cactus and Succulent Society of America. Join the hundreds of your fellow fanciers who use this for their meeting ground. \$3 includes membership and a year's subscription.

**Cactus.** By A. J. Van Laren. The most gorgeously illustrated book on plants it has been my good fortune to see! There are 144—count them—colored plates of succulents. Each plate is a faithful record of the plant in brilliant clear colors! The text is a mine of information written so simply that everyone can understand it, yet scientifically accurate. I recommend this also as a book worth twice the price. \$5.20.

**The Culture of Cacti.** By Harry Johnson. This helpful illustrated pamphlet contains the condensed knowledge necessary to success with these most interesting plants. Remember it is sent free with every order shipped you by the Johnson Water Gardens.

**The Cactus Book.** By Dr. A. D. Houghton. An interesting book that every fancier will enjoy with chapters on Window Sill Gardens, Cactus Rockeries, Propagating, Grafting, etc. Introduces you to 1000 kinds. \$2.25.

**Our Native Cacti.** By E. B. Higgins. Many splendid illustrations of cacti, some in color. An interesting, chatty book telling a thousand useful things about our desert friends. The photographs tell a story in themselves. \$2.65.

**The Bulletin of Cactus Research.** A monthly journal splendidly illustrated of the beautiful new cacti that are being found principally in South America. It contains information of the greatest interest both for the amateur and for the scientist. Many new species are here published for the first time with accurate descriptions and clear photographs showing the plants in bloom. Notes on the conditions under which they grow and synopses of cactus regions are also given. No fancier can afford to be without it. A German magazine printed in English, French, German and Dutch. I will accept subscriptions at \$1.75 per year.



**HAIRY STARFISH FLOWER**

These Starfish Flowers are most striking with their large, fleshy, purple flowers, heavily fringed with violet hairs. They grow and flower freely in quite small pots. Some have flowers 14 inches across. Amongst the largest flowers known. Attract attention wherever shown. 35c. Three large flowered kinds. \$1.

## WATER LILIES

## IF YOU HAVE FRIENDS WHO ARE GOING TO BUILD A WATER LILY POOL

WE WOULD APPRECIATE THEIR NAMES SO THAT WE MAY SEND THEM OUR CATALOG

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STREET \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

**JOHNSON WATER GARDENS**  
**HYNES, CALIFORNIA**



# JOHNSON WATER GARDENS

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STREET or P. O. BOX

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STATE

**ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS.** All goods except fish are shipped postage free. Unless otherwise instructed Water Lilies will be shipped at earliest date permissible for your locality. Cactus and Succulents, Seeds, Aquarium Plants and Supplies are forwarded immediately. **No Goods Sent C.O.D.**

**WE BRING OUR NURSERY TO YOUR DOOR! PLANTS ARE SHIPPED POSTPAID.**

FOR INTERESTING BOOKS AND PERIODICALS TURN THIS SHEET OVER  
[OVER]



# THE ECHINOCACTI OR BARREL CACTUS. A HUGE GROUP WITH HANDSOME GLOBULAR STEMS

## THE ROMANCE OF THESE INTERESTING CACTI

I HAVE always been much attracted by this enormously interesting group of spiny Cacti who have conquered the burning wastes of our great deserts. They grow easily in pots and seem to thrive where other plants would die. Many of them are noted for their handsome flowers for often the more difficult the conditions under which a plant grows the more necessary that it have bright blossoms to attract the few insects. A great number of new and free flowering kinds have recently been discovered in South America where long, arduous expeditions are being made into the little known hinterland. Traveling for hundreds of miles by muleback into these forgotten wastes, collectors are searching for new species, bringing out a whole Pandora's box of treasures for the fireside collector. The romance of these journeys can never fully be told.



**REBUTIA MINUSCULA**  
(Natural Size)

The Rebutias are renowned for their freedom of bloom. They are dwarf plants 1 to 2 inches in diameter with soft harmless spines and bright green bodies. The flowers are produced from underneath the plant, thus differing from almost all others. The little plant figured is almost freer in bloom than the plate shows for around it you would find crimson, naked buds in all stages of development. They are cluster forming, the young plants piling up about the mother, making splendid specimens. 75c. Larger \$1.00 and \$1.50.

**BARREL CACTI** (Ferocactus). Familiar sights in the burning desert mountains of our West. Many a thirsty wanderer's life has been saved by the water stored in these thorny reservoirs. **Giant California Barrel.** Found about Palm Springs and the Colorado Desert. 25c. **F. Townsendianus.** Pretty round globes. 25c. **F. crassihamatus.** Fine yellow spined plants! 25c.

**Melon Barrel.** Grows very easily into a handsome Barrel. 25c. 10 in. **Spined Barrel.** Develops the longest spines. 25c.

**YELLOW BALL CACTUS** (N. Ottonis). Blooms continuously all spring and summer. A real treasure from far South America. Big yellow blossoms with woolly brown buds. Grows in the mountains and produces many baby plants about the mother. 35c.

**Sacred Mushroom.** A strange plant known to the Indians. Bears pretty pink flowers. A spineless, blue-grey plant with odd turnip-like roots. Finel 50c.

**Chin Cacti.** These small South American Cacti bloom most freely, the blossoms sometimes larger than the plants! **White Chin Cactus.** Has many white blossoms. Very pretty and easy to grow. 35c. **Striped Chin Cactus.** Handsomely banded with maroon. Free bloomer. 50c. **G. Quehlianum.** One of the best bloomers. 35c.

**STRAWBERRY CACTUS.** Blooms many times during the summer. The yellow blossoms are 2 inches across stained bright red at the base. Will grow anywhere. With its bright red fruits no collection can be without it. Comes from Texas. 35c.

### GHOST PLANT

Have you ever seen a plant grow from just a leaf? Every leaf when pulled off and laid on the ground will form a small plant. Handsome and easily grown and fine for dish gardens. Have pretty blossoms. Leaves tinted with violet in winter. 25c.

### GOLDEN BARREL CACTUS

In any collection of Cactus the Golden Barrel stands out as one of the most attractive specimens. A globe of rich, golden yellow, quite unlike any other. The older it grows the more beautiful it becomes. Fine young plants, 35c. Large, \$1.25.

### BISHOP'S CAP.

(A. myriostigma)  
... This famous plant is known to every collector . . . Shaped exactly like a Bishop's Mitre—50c, large plants \$1.00.

### RATTAIL CACTUS

A free blooming, easy to grow Cereus. Everyone should have this first of all because it is so pretty and easy to grow. The stems are pendant, covered with soft brown spines and myriads of blossoms. 25c. Grafted plants 50c and \$1.00.



## MIXED COLLECTION



### Cacti and Succulents COLLECTION No. 166

If you want to join the ranks of the thousands of Cactus collectors in the United States this curious collection will stir your interest. **Starfish Flower, Red Sedum, Airplant, Peanut Cactus, Golden Tuna, Echeveria multicaulis.** \$1.00

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Each season we have a number of plants, the labels of which are lost. We do not like to throw such interesting material away so I am offering them to those who like to take a chance. 10 unlabeled plants. \$1.50

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Always about such a large nursery there are odds and ends, plants with small blemishes, unlabelled specimens, overgrown plants and odd lots of which we do not have enough to catalog. You will find many interesting things among them. 20 unlabelled odds and ends. \$2.50

**GOLDEN BALL CACTUS.** I recommend this as one of the most beautiful of all cacti. A pure shining golden globe with harmless spines. Big blossoms too! 50c.

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It is most interesting to grow Cacti from seeds. The little plants burst from their seed coats as tiny green balls.

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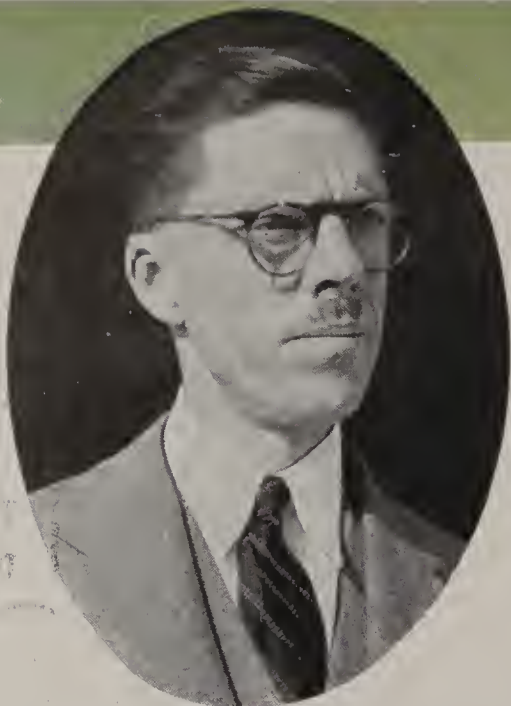
These storied gardens are one of the most attractive phases of indoor gardening. How otherwise could you grow such a bewildering variety of plants in such a limited space? These strawberry jars will be interesting every day in the year. The pots may be purchased at any pottery shop or we can ship them. **Tiger's Jaw, Starfish Flower, Rattail Cactus, Ghost Plant, Necklace Vine, Night Blooming Cereus, Echeveria, Tongue Leaf, Airplant, Bead Vine, Window Plant, Red Sedum.**

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Have you experienced that most interesting of all gardening adventures, the collecting of Cacti and succulents? These wonderfully interesting denizens of our deserts have for a hundred years been the exclusive collecting grounds of only the dyed-in-the-wool fancier. As in the collection of works of art and antiques fortunes have been spent in assembling great collections of cacti. Men have been sent out on long and arduous trips into the wilds of our waterless deserts, the bleak snowbound fastnesses of the Andean mountains, into the hell of the Gran Chaco, the rainless wastes of Chilean plains and even into far Patagonia. The difficulties of getting their finds back into civilization, classified and established in gardens, have been great but burning interest and love of the hobby have conquered all obstacles.

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(*Cephalocereus senilis*)

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